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$5,000.00 DECISION.

The Appellate Court Affirms the Finding for Mrs. Williams.

MONEY FOR WIDOW OF AN ENGINEER

The Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railway Company Will Have to Come Down—Case Over a Year Old.

In the appellate court today in the case of Mrs. Williams, widow of James Williams, a railroad engineer, against the Terre Haute and Indianapolis railroad company, a line running through Decatur, for $5000 damages, the decision of the court at the trial held in the Macon county circuit court before Judge Vail, over a year ago, was affirmed, and the verdict then obtained for $5000 will stand. James Williams, while in the performance of his duties as engineer for the company, lost his life near the town of Tabor, on the line of the road. A lot of cattle got on the railroad track, and at about daylight the cattle were struck by the locomotive. The engine was derailed and Williams was killed. The fences along the right of way were in bad repair and the cattle broke through, and this fact went against the company at the trial. The attorneys for the company were W. C. Outten and Mr. Golden. Those for the plaintiff were Attorneys J. J. Finn, Alex McIntosh and David Hutchison. The victorious attorneys naturally feel jubilant over the good news from the appellate court, and they believe that in a very short time Mrs. Williams will receive the $5000.

GOING TO WASHINGTON.

See the Silk Flag Decatur Citizens and Comrades Will Give to McKinley.

In one of the show windows at the Morehouse & Wells Co. hardware store is displayed a large and beautiful silk flag, which cost $100, and which on March 4, inauguration day, will be presented to President McKinley with the compliments of Decatur citizens and comrades. The flag will be taken to Washington by William F. Martin, the well known veteran, and he will see that the offering reaches the chief executive of the nation. The fund for the purchase of the flag was contributed by a large number of citizens, the sums being in small amounts. The flag will be displayed in the window until tomorrow night.

Robson in The "Jucklins."

"The Jucklins" will receive its introduction at the Powers Grand next Thursday when Mr. Stuart Robson and his company will appear here. It is said in this play Mr. Robson has struck the keynote of success, and it has found favor with both press and public. The piece is a dramatization of Opie Reid's most successful novel and is essentially a drama of love, roosters and "wallerin'." It will doubtless prove a revelation to those who are familiar with Mr. Robson's work to see him in the role of a gentle, temperate farmer, with a fringe of scraggy beard. It seems to be the universal opinion that this is one of the best things he has ever done. As an indicator to the character of Lem Jucklin, it might be well to cite the finish of the third act, when, trouble having overtaken him, he has fought his friends, Sam and Bob to a "finish," and brings forth the two stricken loyal friends cold in death, and lays them slowly and tearfully on the hearth rug. The success of the play is said to lie in its wholesome, simple humor. It is a composite picture of southern humor, pathos and piety. These three very human qualities form the basis of the drama, and are blended with the more delicate tints of love. Buy a copy of "The Jucklins" at J. W. Diller's book sale, corner North Main and Prairie street; a 50-c book for 10c.

Strong and Hearty.

A letter from B. Z. Taylor, who is at Hot Springs, Ark., for the benefit of his health, has been received at his place of business by Operator Dorwin. Ben writes that he is getting stronger rapidly and that he can scarcely get enough to eat. He is hungry all the time and though the hotels afford the best of accommodations, he always wants more. He is the first man in the dining room at each meal.

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DANCED AND DIED.

A Serious Shooting Affray at a Dance in Victoria, Mexico.

TEN KILLED, FIFTEEN WOUNDED.

Portland Cement Works Burned—St. Louis Bank Closed—Suit Against Gov. Pingree Dismissed—King George's Denial.

Victoria, Mexico, Feb. 27.—A dispatch from Tancol says that in an affray at a dance there were ten killed and fifteen seriously wounded. About fifty young men and women were dancing and drinking. At midnight all were drunk and one young man insulted a young woman. A general fight followed in which knives, pistols and other weapons were freely used with the above results.

King George Puts in a Denial.

London, Feb. 27.—The Greek ambassador denies that King George has intimated his intention of accepting the demands of the powers.

St. Louis Bank Closes.

St. Louis, Feb. 27.—State Bank Examiner Austine closed the Mullanphy Savings bank this morning. The statement at the close of the business year showed liabilities exclusive of the capital stock of $700,000 of which about $650,000 are deposits reserve, $800,000. As the result of the examination by the state bank examiner the Continental National bank, through which the Mullanphy bank cleared at the end of the year notified the clearing house it would cease clearing for it. A run began this morning and the bank examiner promptly closed the institution.

Portland Cements Works Burned.

Canton, Feb. 27.—The plant of the Middle Branch Portland and Diamond Cement Co., at Midlebranch, was burned this morning. The loss is estimated at $200,000

KING GEORGE SHOCKED.

He Expresses His Astonishment at the Course of the Powers.

London, Feb. 27.—A dispatch to the Chronicle from Athens says:

"During the interview with King George obtained by your correspondent Wednesday the king said:

"'I cannot but express my profound astonishment and grief upon learning that the representatives of the great Christian powers not only permitted Turkish forces to employ as a military base a sphere they had taken under their protection in order to impose upon it neutrality and peace, but also positively caused their cannons to be fired upon Christian people driven by outrage and massacre to struggle for life, liberty and religion. Nothing in the world until these events occurred would have induced me to believe in the possibility of such an act.'

"His majesty then added:

'I utterly fail to comprehend why Europe, instead of following historic precedents in Italy and elsewhere, allowing to Cretans to declare by plebiscite what sovereignty they should desire, should attempt to force upon them a regime alien to their feelings and inevitably destined to result in further complications.'"

Henry Norman, correspondent of the Chronicle, says he is authorized to state that Greece is fully prepared to accept the decision of a plebiscite.

The Chronicle urges Greece to declare war and so "end the infamy."

A dispatch to the Standard from Athens says:

"It is understood that the collective note of the powers has arrived and will be formally presented.

ROUTED BY GOMEZ'S MEN.

Spanish Defeated Close to the Headquarters of Gen. Weyler.

Key West, Fla., Feb. 27.—Details have just reached here of the disastrous defeat of 500 Spaniards near Sitio Grande, south of Sagua La Grande, Santa Clara Province, Cuba, Monday, by a Cuban battalion, under Colonel Mercedes, of Gomez's army. What makes it more mortifying to the Spaniards is that it occurred so near Weyler's headquarters, where he claims everything is pacified.

This column had been sent out to break up a Cuban camp, though its exact location the Spaniards did not know. The Cubans learned of its departure, and watched it closely. Near the heights of Carina, the Cubans divided, taking positions on some high ground, commanding the roads approaching. The Spaniards marched almost into the trap, when they were suddenly warned by the braying of some mules. They turned into the woods to attack the Cubans on the flank. The latter quickly saw their opportunity, and, as the Spanish troops turned off, creating a little confusion in the columns, the underbrush separating the ranks somewhat, they made a daring charge upon them with 400 men.

The contest was a hot one, the Spaniards fighting well. Hand grenades were used by the Cubans, also bottles filled with explosive acid and nails. These created great havoc in the ranks of the Spanish, and after half an hour of fighting they fell back in great disorder, the engagement being continued to the gates of Sagua La Grande, from whence two squadrons came rushing out. The Cubans then retreated, followed by the troops for half a mile, when they gave up their chase and returned to town.

The Spanish loss was over 230, and the Cubans admit the loss of over 100. The Cubans camped on the field that night, gathering up the arms and equipments of their opponents. News of the engagement has been suppressed, and has only been learned through Cuban sources.

Gomez is in Santa Clara province near its capital. On the 24th he was moving toward the coast, gathering re-enforcements and warning the sugar planters not to grind. Over 1000 men have joined him since his entry into that province.

CHICAGO REPUBLICANS.

They Nominate a City Clerk Without Friction—Judge Sears Named for Mayor.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—The Chicago Republican city convention was held yesterday afternoon at Battery D. The convention was called to order by Chairman M. B. Madden and John M. Smythe was made chairman of the convention.

On the first ballot Judge Nathaniel C. Sears was nominated for mayor. The other nominations were made by acclamation as follows: For city treasurer, Charles Gross; for city clerk, Frederick Lunden; for city attorney, Roy O. West. The business was all transacted in a very short time and the convention adjourned. The platform announced by Judge Sears by which he expects to be governed is as follows:

In my belief the crowning achievement of the municipal history of Chicago * * * is the adoption of that reward of merit system which we call civil service. If elected I would carry its last letter to enforcement.

I believe that in this great cosmopolitan city of ours, embracing so many different peoples and so man different interests, the city of one is the city of all.

I believe in maintaining the position of the present administration in dealing with the vices of the city. In no event will there be any stop backward.

I believe in the proposition that franchises and special privileges must be compensated for no sales except by the owner of the title.

I believe in maintaining the splendid methods which have been inaugurated by the administration of George B. Swift.

I believe in the divorcement of the police from politics.

I believe in the city's making speedy and active effort * * * for the adoption of a better revenue system * * * and the wiping out of our present system of justices and police courts.

Nathan C. Sears.

HELEN GOUGAR LOSES.

Supreme Court of Indiana Decides that Women Can Not Vote.

Indianapolis, Feb. 27.—The supreme court has affirmed the case of Helen M. Gougar against the election officers of her precinct in Lafayette, in which she claimed the right to vote at a general election, and brought suit against the election officers to compel them to receive and count her ballot.

In pronouncing the opinion of the court, Judge Hackney said that the question presented in the case is whether women have, under existing laws in the state Indiana, the privilege of suffrage, and whether sex is a qualification upon the rights to vote for for public officers.

He then proceeded to show that under the constitution women can not vote, and that this provision of the constitution is not in conflict with the constitution of the United States.

GOV. PINGREE WINS.

Suit Brought to Oust Him as Mayor Dismissed This Morning.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 27.—The circuit court dismissed the suit of D. W. Moreland, member of the board of public works to oust Mayor Pingree on the ground that he vacated the office of mayor when he became governor. The court held that Moreland had no right to bring suit which should be in the name of the attorney general. The case will be appealed.

Wife-Murder and Suicide.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Fritz Rowsler, a saloon keeper, at 5036 Ashland avenue, was found dead in his place of business yesterday afternoon. Beside him lay the body of his wife. He had a bullet wound in his right temple and the woman was shot in the left ear. It is believed Rowsler shot his wife and then committed suicide. Jealousy is supposed to have been the reason.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Dunn's Report Says Substantial Improvement is to the Credit of the Past Week.

IRON TRADE THE CHIEF FEATURE.

One Million Tons of Steel Rails Purchased Within the Week—American Tin Plate Men Underselling Foreigners.

New York, Feb. 27.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s report for the week says:

Genuine improvement in business does not come with a rush, like the breaking of a great dam, and the growth for some weeks past has been more encouraging because in nearly all lines it has been gradual and moderate. The rupture of the steel rail and other combinations in the iron business brought out a vast quantity of trade which had been held back and has set many thousands of men at work, while the slow but steady gain in other great industries has given employment to many thousands more, but the full effects will not appear until the increased purchases by all these swell the distribution of goods. Meanwhile, it is substantial ground for confidence that the months which were regarded by many in the money market with serious apprehensions, have passed without disturbance and with a steady gain in the condition of the country and the treasury.

The breaking of the bonds which restricted many branches of the iron industry has been followed by an enormous increase in demand and in orders booked, and by the starting of many works. Nothing yet is settled about the price of lake ore for the coming season, but some expect for Messaba the price of 1895, while others expect a lower price.

The rapid increasse in the coke output in the Connellsville region, which is now over 100,000 tons, give prospects of moderate cost for fuel, and the addition of important furnaces to the producing capacity prevents a large rise in Bessemer pig, which has nevertheless advanced ten cents at Pittsburg with increasing demand. Purchases of rails are estimated at 1,000,000 tons within two weeks. Bars are unchanged, but order for 900 cars by one railway, with numerous others, increase the demand and plates are required for two great elevators at Chicago. Important contracts for export continue, and American makers undersell foreigners in tin plate by seventy cents.

With less rapidity but steadily other industries are gaining. Increasing demand has also started quite a number of woolen mills, including many making dress goods and hosiery.

Wheat closed 2⅝c lower for the week, while western receipts are 40 per cent smaller than last year for the past four weeks. Atlantic exports, flour included, in the same weeks, have been 6,340,000 against 7,047,000 last year, and exports of corn 8,436,000, against 4,195,000 last year. The increase in corn more than makes up in foreign consumption for the decrease in wheat.

The failures in the United States for the past week were 296, against 278 last year.

GORDON MEETS A FORMER SLAVE

The Ex-Slave Pushes His Way to the Front After a Lecture at Kokomo and is Warmly Greeted.

Kokomo, Ind., Feb. 27.—At a reception given to General J. B. Gordon of Georgia in this city at the conclusion of his lecture on Thursday night an aged colored man worked his way to the front, and grasped the hand of the distinguished southerner. He was John Russell of this city, who in ante-bellum days had been a slave on the plantation of General Gordon's father. He was then Andy Gordon, about the same age of the general, and they were playmates. During a raid in 1863 the colored man was captured, and after that he was cook in the Union army until the close of the war. General Gordon instantly recognized the former slave, and the latter was astonished at the shower of attentions given him by his former master, who not only greeted him cordially, but made him his special guest during the remainder of his stay in the city.

McCook Out of It.

New York, Feb. 27.—The Commercial-Advertiser yesterday afternoon said: "Colonel John J. McCook will not be New York's representative in the next presidential cabinet. Colonel McCook, it is announced, has been considering an offer to enter the cabinet as secretary of the interior, and has declined the honor. Senator-elect Platt was informed by Colonel McCook of his intention. The department of justice alone had attractions for Colonel McCook, and when Mr. McKinley decided to make Judge McKenna his attorney general Colonel McCook thankfully declined preferment in any other capacity in the cabinet."

Colonel McCook was asked as to the truth of the foregoing paragraph. He absolutely refused to talk on the subject or to make any statement regarding it.

TALK OF THE RING.

How the Big Pugilists Spent the Day at Carson.

Carson, Nev., Feb. 27.—Corbett's training quarters were crowded yesterday. The most important arrivals of the day were Manager Brady and Charley White, the New York trainer, who will aid Billy Delaney as much as possible in looking after Corbett's interest. Brady expressed himself well pleased with Jim's appearance.

One of the most interesting incidents of the day was Corbett's bout with Jeffries, the Californian heavyweight. They kept at it, continuously, for twelve minutes and, while Jeffries was pretty well dumped out at the finish, Corbett called for Billy Woods to take his turn at the gloves. In his bouts with Woods, protected by pneumatic armor, Corbett does not confine himself to tapping, but strikes with all his might too frequently for Woods' comfort. The armor does not appear to be such a great protection after all, for once or twice during the morning's bout, Woods was almost put on the floor.

At the Fitzsimmons quarters the general routine was gone through with. About 9 the lanky fighter started out for a ten-mile spin, returning to the ranch feeling comparatively fresh. After a rub down, Bob sat around the house and killed time until noon.

In the afternoon he gave a public exhibition in the gymnasium in connection with his training. Fitzsimmons started in by punching the bag, giving a most artistic exhibition in that line. This was followed by sparring with Roeber, Hickey and Stelzner. Roeber surprised the big New Zealander by jabbing him in the mouth with his left, drawing a little blood. At the conclusion of nine fast rounds, Fitzsimmons showed up comparatively fresh, while the others showed the effects of the hard work.

Fitzsimmons is still suffering slightly from the effects of a cold.

WIDOW DRIVES OFF A CONSTABLE

Mary Taylor of Shelbyville Refuses to be Ejected and Uses a Gun to Sustain Her Position.

Shelbyville, Ind., Feb. 27.—Mary Taylor, widow with five children, whom she has been supporting by taking in washing, was yesterday morning thrown into the street, together with her furniture, for non-payment of rent, through legal process by her landlord. The aged woman cooked dinner on the street, after which she determined to again occupy the house from which she had been ejected. She broke the fastenings on the doors and after replacing her furniture procured ammunition for the musket her husband had carried in the rebellion.

When Constable William Sanders returned to eject her again, the old woman, amid the cheering of the crowd assembled, drew a bead on him, and he departed.

A RIVER ON FIRE.

Standard Oil Company Loses 2,000 Barrels of Oil and Will be Asked to Pay Fire Damages.

Norwalk, Ohio, Feb. 27.—The Standard Oil company suffered considerable loss yesterday by the bursting of its pipe line near this city. The oil ran into the Huron river for over a mile and was set on fire. The people of Milan were much excited for fear the burning oil would set fire to their town. It is estimated that nearly 2000 barrels of oil were consumed. The company will also suffer by the destruction of other property along the track of the burning fluid.

$400 FOR ARMOR PLATE.

The Senate Committee Fixes That Sum as the Maximum Price—Otherwise the Government to Erect a Plant.

Washington, Feb. 27.—The senate committee on appropriations has completed the consideration of the naval appropriation bill. It incorporated an amendment making $400 per ton the maximum price to be paid for armor plate, in default of which the government is to establish its own armor making plant. Provision was also made for three additional torpedo boats.

Ex-Banker Kline Sentenced.

Philadelphia, Feb. 27.—Henry M. Kline of Lebanon, who embezzled $9000 of the funds of the Farmers' National bank, of that city, while he was its paying teller, and who pleaded guilty last week, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Butler, in the United States district court, to pay a fine of $100, and undergo an imprisonment of five years at hard labor, in the eastern penitentiary. Kline pleaded guilty the day after John H. Hoffer, the former cashier of the First National bank of Lebanon, was sentenced to pay a fine of $100 and to serve ten years for embezzlement $109,000.

CHICAGO FAILURE.

Willoughby Hill & Co. Confess Judgment for $81,600 and the Doors are Closed.

THEY MAY RESUME BUSINESS.

Boiler Explosion Results in Death—Conovas Regards the Ruiz Matter of Little Importance—Greek Steamer Detained.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—The clothing firm of Willoughby Hill & Co. confessed judgment today for $81,600 in favor of the Fort Dearborn National bank. The confession was taken in connection with a bill filed by the Stein Bloch company, clothing manufacturers of Rochester, N. Y. A minority of the stockholders in the Willoughby, Hill & Co., bill charges that the firm is insolvent. The assets are $150,000 liabilities $260,000. Hill, the president of the company, is in New York. His son said the matter would be arranged and that the business would be resumed probably in a day or two.

Statement by Conovas.

Madrid, Feb. 27.—Premier Canovas at the cabinet council at which the queen regent presided, declared that the difference with the United States in regard to the treatment of prisoners is without importance and added that an impartial inquiry into the death of Dr. Ruiz the American in prison in Cuba, showed that the doctor expired from natural causes.

Greek Steamer Detained.

Canea, Crete, Feb. 27.—The Greek steamer Theseus after landing provisions and ammunition at Plattonia for the Greeks took on board a hundred prisoners. She was stopped at Draponia by an Italian warship and was taken to Suda Bay.

BOILER EXPLOSION.

One Man Killed and a Number Injured

New Bedford, Mass., Feb. 27.—The big boiler in the power house of the Acushnet mills exploded this morning setting fire to the structure. After the fire was gotten under control, a search among the ruins disclosed the bodies of Manuel Mendosa, the fireman, and Arthur Ashin, another employe. Several others were injured.

THE DEAF HEAR.

Gen. Noble Speaks to a Audience of Mutes on American Citizenship.

St. Louis, Feb. 27.—There was a strange scene last night in Schuyler Memorial hall, at Christ church cathedral. On the platform stood a tall, soldierly looking man, his hair and flowing beard whitened by years of active service in public and private life. With forceful gestures he exhorted his audience to patriotism in a strong, sonorous voice, while beside him, on the platform, stood a frail, spiritueller-appearing woman, watching him closely, drinking in every word he uttered and following him with strange gestures, movements of the head and hands. In front of them sat the audience, intently watching the young woman and apparently unconscious of the man's presence in the room or how his voice filled the place with its volume.

The speaker was General Noble, ex-secretary of the interior, and the lady beside him was Miss Pearl Herdman, who acted as interpreter and gave the assembled audience, who were members of the St. Thomas Deaf and Dumb Mission, the general's words almost as fast as they were uttered.

The scene was an impressive one. Not more than two people in the hall heard the general's voice and could appreciate his well rounded periods, but the entire audience was most attentive. It watched with closest attention Miss Herdman's deft hands as she gave them General Noble's thoughts on "American Citizenship" by means of the strange language of signs. Often after making a telling point and starting on another flight of eloquence and logic the speaker would be interrupted by the applause brought forth by his interpreter's belated transmission of his words and ideas.

The speaker's reference to the country's duty in protecting its citizens abroad was most heartily received, and moved the general to remark sotto voce. "If deaf and dumb people can hear of the wrongs to which our citizens abroad are subjected and applaud sentiments favorable to their protection, surely Grover Cleveland ought to hear."

After a glowing account of the grand domain of which they were citizens, he pointed out their duty of loyalty and patriotism and the great influence they could wield despite their infirmities. After a strong plea for peace, the citizen's duty in time of war and national calamity was shown. The speaker declared that the nation should and would protect its citizens, wherever they were or under whatever flag they temporatrily resided. In return for the protection and advantages of an enlightened government, the citizen's responsibility to it was great.

The general spoke for nearly an hour and the audience broke up nodding and signalling their approval most heartily.

DEAD EASY DOCTORS.

How Frederick Rutland, Now Under Arrest, Manufactured Physicians.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Frederick Rutland, who calls himself a doctor and president of the Wisconsin Electric Medical college, has been arrested by government officers on the charge of using the mails to defraud. It is claimed that he has been issuing fraudulent medical diplomas on payment from anywhere from $10 to $50. Rutland claims that his college is a regularly chartered corporation under the laws of Wisconsin and that his proceedings have been regular in every way. His method is to allow a student to "study at home" and Rutland would forward a diploma upon receipt of the money, and the answers to a set of questions he would forward with diploma. He claims to have graduated 907 students last year.

BASE BALL MAGNATES.

Change in Rules, Especially as to Coaching Rules.

Baltimore, Feb. 27.—At the meeting of base ball magnates, the membership of the board of control was increased from four to six. It was also decided to defend Rusie's suit against the New York club. The report of the committee on rules was adopted without change, save that coachers will be permitted only when men are on the bases, one to be allowed when one man is on first and two when more than one occupies the bases. The schedule adopted opens the season April 19, closing October 2, with double games on holidays.

MINISTER RESIGNS.

Rev. William Groves Will Go from Girard to Shelbyville.

Girard, Ill., Feb. 27.—Rev. Wm. M. Groves will preach his farewell sermon at the Christian church in this city Sunday. Mr. Groves has resigned his pastorate of the Christian church here and goes to Shelbyville this state, where he has been called by the Christian church of that city.

Marriage Kept a Secret.

Little Rock, Ark., Feb. 27.—Dr. J. J. Robertson, ex-superintendent of the state insane asylum, was married at Jonesboro, Ill., on February 13, to Miss Lou Mosely, who was an attendant at the asylum during Dr. Robertson's administration. Dr. and Mrs. Robertson are living at Wynne, where the doctor is now practicing medicine. About six weeks ago a decree of divorce was granted Mrs. Robertson in chancery court, the grounds on which the divorce was asked being desertion. Dr. Robertson's second marriage was kept a secret and was not believed by his friends. Illinois papers arrived here yesterday confirming the report, however.

Col. Roper Appointed.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 27.—Colonel J. D. Roper, of Springfield, has been appointed assistant secretary of the Illinois board of labor statistics for the ensuing year. The board of state mine examirers are sending out notices calling for a state examination of state inspectors of coal mines for the seven districts in the state to be held March 9. The governor is to appoint seven inspectors from the successful candidates.

Bicycle Race.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—At 12 o'clock the bicycle score was: Schinneer, 1721; Miller, 1679; Ashinger, 1635; Lawson, 1624; Hinnant, 1458.

At 2 o'clock the score was: Schinneer, 1726; Miller, 1689; Ashinger, 1668; Lawson (Terrible Swede), 1653; Hansen, 1506; Hinnant, 1408.

King George May Abdicate.

Paris, Feb. 27.—Reports are current here and elsewhere in Europe that if the powers insist on Greece evacuating Crete, King George will abdicate in favor of the Crown Prince Constantine.

Weekly Bank Statement.

New York, Feb. 27.—The weekly bank statement shows: Loans decrease, $1,855,000; banks hold $57,520,000 in excess of legal requirements.

A Local Puzzle.

A citizen of Decatur went into a jewelry store on Main street, Friday to pay the jeweler 10 cents for repair work. The citizen handed 25 cents to the jeweler, who could not make the change, but took the 25 cent piece, and then went out with a silver dollar to get change. On his return the jeweler gave the citizen 90 cents out of the dollar, and the man went out. A few moments later the jeweler discovered that he had made a mistake and went out and found the citizen who corrected the error. How much did the citizen have to give the jeweler? Think it out.

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The Inauguration at Washington.

DETAILS OF THE IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY.
ROUTINE WORK OF CONGRESS ON MARCH 4.
GRAND PARADE AND INAUGURATION BALL.

CONSERVATIVE estimates place the number of people who will witness the inauguration of President McKinley and gaze upon the great inaugural parade at 500,000. All Washington will be on hand to lend cheers and 200,000 visitors will yell themselves hoarse. In short, March 4, 1897, promises to be a real red letter day in the history of the national capitol; for no inauguration in the history of the republic has attracted so much popular attention as that of the Ohio statesman who, at noon of that day, will become the executive head of the nation for a term of four years. Compared with the coronation exercises of European monarchies, our inauguration ceremonies are a trifle flat. Congress has never yet—and never will—pass laws establishing fountains dispensing wine at prominent street corners; and without such fountains a European coronation would be considered a dismal failure. Whatever the legion of sightseers may stow away in the line of liquid and substantial refreshments will have to be paid for out of their own pockets. Uncle Sam furnishes the dramatis personae for the inauguration show, but when it comes to pay for the staging he is, to use a slang phrase, "not in it." The expense is borne by the business men of Washington, who, months prior to inauguration day, raise a large guarantee fund to defray the cost of the grand pageant on Pennsylvania avenue, relying for reimbursement on the thousands of visitors who usually remain in the city for several days and spend millions of dollars to satisfy their patriotic curiosity. As the raising of inauguration funds has never proved a very difficult task, it is to be presumed that the merchants and hotel keepers receive a fair profit on their investment.

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY.

THE CAPITOL BUILDING.

Only the Favored Few Can Gain Admission on March 4.

Visitors who expect to enter the capitol building on March 4, to witness the demise of the Fifty-fourth congress, will be disappointed, unless they should be able to secure cards of admission signed by the sergeant-at-arms of the United States senate. Every door of the great building will be guarded by members of the capitol police force, each one of whom has positive orders to prevent the admission of anyone not properly certified as authorized to enter. Members of the senate and house of representatives are given a certain number of cards of admission for themselves, their families and their friends; and each representative of a prominent newspaper, who has the privilege of the press galleries, is given a special card of admission for himself and a woman writer whom he may desire to have there as his assistant to describe the appearance and costumes of the distinguished ladies who may be present. Add to these the members of the diplomatic corps, the justices of the supreme court and the cabinet officers and their families, and you have a complete list of the occupants of the capitol on March 4. Should the regulations governing admission be less stringent such unwieldy crowds would throng the lobbies that the completion of public business and the maintenance of dignity and order would be out of the question.

IN THE CAPITOL ROTUNDA.

CENTER OF INTEREST.

Why the Senate Wing Will Attract the Bulk of Visitors.

Although the house of representatives remains in session until noon on March 4, when it adjourns sine die, nobody can be seen in the house wing of the capitol except the representatives and the regular employes of the house. All interest centers in the senate, because the ceremonies preceding and leading up to the inauguration are held in the senate chamber. Although the senate practically concludes all of the business before it by 11 o'clock on the 4th of March, it is required to be in session and actively at work until the hour of noon, when the terms of many of the senators expire. President Cleveland sits in the magnificent room set apart for the chief magistrate—known as the "president's room"—either approving or rejecting such bills as may be brought to him for his signature, for any bill which fails to receive the signature of the president before noon of March 4, although it may have passed both houses of congress, cannot become a law. There would not be sufficient time for bills to be sent from the capitol to the white house for the approval of the president, and have them returned to the senate in time, and, therefore, in conformity with usage, President Cleveland will be on hand in the president's room by 11 o'clock, in order to complete such legislation as may be of great national importance.

MRS. WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

VICE PRESIDENT HOBART.

THE TWO STAR ACTORS.

Will Be Received by the Senate in Due and Ancient Form.

While the senate and house are in early session, concluding their labors, President Cleveland, President-elect McKinley and their escort will pass down Pennsylvania avenue from the white house to the capitol, and thousands of people on the sidewalks will witness this preliminary parade. Meantime the privileged few are thronging the galleries and crowding the corridors of the senate. The members of the diplomatic corps, consisting of the representatives of all nations, many of them in gorgeous costumes, are assigned seats on the right-hand side of the senate chamber, all of the senators having massed themselves on the left of the vice president. Seats are also assigned to the chief justice and associate justices of the supreme court; to the speaker and members of the house of representatives; to distinguished guests, and to all persons who are authorized to have the privilege of the floor of the senate, either by reason of past services or because they have received the thanks of congress for some service of merit. Shortly before noon by the senate clock President Cleveland leaves the president's room and enters the main door of the senate chamber. The doorkeeper appears in the main aisle, addresses the vice president and announces: "The president of the United States." President Cleveland walks down the aisle and takes a seat directly in front of the vice president. As soon as President Cleveland is seated, the doorkeeper again appears in the aisle and, addressing the vice president, says: "The president-elect of the United States." Mr. McKinley walks down the aisle and, after bowing to President Cleveland, assumes a seat by his side. They converse upon commonplace matters until the senate clock points to noon, when Vice President Hobart enters the chamber and ascends the steps to the vice president's platform.

MR. HOBART ASSUMING THE GAVEL.

THE VICE PRESIDENT.

Mr. Stevenson Will Administer the Oath to Mr. Hobart.

The ceremonies attending the introduction of the vice president into his office are very simple. When Mr. Hobart has ascended the platform Vice President Stevenson reaches forth his right hand to greet his successor, and then administers to him the oath of office. After having performed this act he assumes the gavel, raps once and announces: "The senate is adjourned sine die." This ends the ceremony, unless a special session of the senate has been called by the retiring president, as was the case four years ago. Should the same thing be done this year, Vice President Hobart would assume the gavel, after Mr. Stevenson's retirement, rap once and announce: "The senate will be in order." He would then state: "The senators-elect for the Fifty-fifth congress will come forward and receive the oath of office." Immediately thereafter one-third of the members of the senate, who have been reelected, or men who have been elected to take the place of those whose terms have expired, would approach the vice president and from him receive the oath of office. Adjournment would then be had. After adjournment the senators and all the occupants of the senate chamber and the galleries move out in regular order, and proceed to the east front of the capitol. As they emerge from the great bronze doors, from the rotunda, they step upon a platform which has been built over the magnificent marble steps, extending nearly 200 feet upon the grand plaza.

THE NEW PRESIDENT.

He Will Take the Oath Before a Vast Multitude.

And then occurs the great event of the day. Clear out into the front, and facing the vast multitude of loyal spectators, President-elect William McKinley goes with the chief justice of the United States, and there, in the presence of the representatives of the American people, receives the oath of his exalted office. The oath having been administered, President McKinley proceeds to deliver his inaugural address, and the United States of America has a new head. Simple as the ceremony is, it thrills the thousands who witness it, for they know that in no country but ours is a change of administration attended with less friction. While the ceremony is, as has been said, extremely simple, it has never failed to impress foreigners, who have readily admitted, time and again, that in genuine impressiveness it surpasses the gorgeous ceremonials of royal and imperial coronations, because it enlists the sympathy of the common people instead of pointing out social inequalities and fostering class prejudices. "You have no flow of wines," remarked a noted foreigner, who witnessed the inauguration of President Cleveland, "but the milk of human kindness pours, if I may use the expression, from the hearts of your officials and from the great heart of your people. Such simplicity is synonymous with loyalty, patriotism and Christianity."

PRESIDENT M'KINLEY TAKING THE OATH.

IN FRONT OF THE CAPITOL.

AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

After the Review Mr. McKinley Takes Formal Possession.

Immediately after the new president has delivered his inaugural address he enters a carriage with the ex-president, and together they ride up Pennsylvania avenue, in advance of the great procession, and take their places on a stand in front of the white house, where they review the gorgeous procession as it passes before them. Ex-President Cleveland occupies a chair on the right of President McKinley, who stands for three or four hours in full view of the passing civil and military organizations. As the various bands of music pass the north front of the treasury building they cease their music; but when, a few moments later, they come within about 50 yards of the reviewing stand they strike up "Hail to the Chief." The color bearers dip their flags, as they pass the president, and the men in the ranks of the civic organizations give vent to cheers. The military march past silently, all the while keeping "eyes front" as they pass in review before the commander in chief of the army and navy. When the last organization has passed, ex-President Cleveland arises and shakes hands with his successor, bids him good-by and leaves for Princeton, N. J., his future home—a private citizen. President McKinley enters the white house and takes formal possession of the mansion which will be his home for four years.

THE GREAT PARADE.

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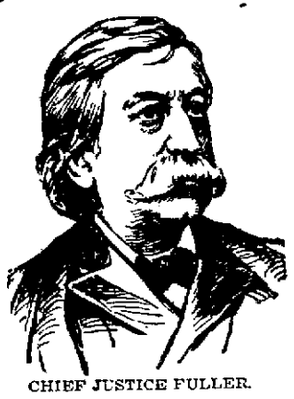
A Sight Which, Once Seen, Can Never Be Forgotten.

To the average visitor the grand parade is the most potent attraction of the inauguration ceremonies. It is estimated that 60,000 men will march down Pennsylvania avenue on March 4. Gen. Horace Porter, of New York, who will have command of this vast army, has decided to start the parade immediately on the conclusion of the inauguration ceremony proper. The parade will be dismissed at Washington circle, instead of the white house, as formerly, and the general expects that the procession will be able to pass at the rate of 12,000 an hour. Twenty-four files of foot will march in close column, and there will be no change in formation en route. The first division will be divided into three brigades, the first composed of regular United States troops and the national guard of the District of Columbia; the second of the national guard of Pennsylvania, and the third of the national guards of other states, headed by their governors and their staffs, their places in line being assigned as follows: Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, South Carolina, New Hampshire, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Vermont, Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio, Louisiana, Indiana, Mississippi, Illinois, Alabama, Maine, Missouri, Arkansas, Michigan, Florida, Texas, Iowa, Wisconsin, California, Minnesota, Oregon, Kansas, West Virginia, Nevada, Nebraska, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming and Utah. This assignment is based on the date of the adoption of the constitution by the original 13 states and with reference to the admission of the others to the union.

MRS. GARRETT A. HOBART.



CHIEF JUSTICE FULLER.

GOVERNORS IN LINE.

Twenty of Them Will Participate in the Gorgeous Procession.

Among the striking features of the parade will be the large number of governors and their staffs, 20 at least, who will be accompanied by detachments of state troops. Gov. Tanner, of Illinois, for instance, will have for an escort an entire regiment of soldiers, to say nothing of several Chicago cavalry organizations who will visit Washington at their own expense. Other western governors will also be escorted by large detachments of troops. But the most unique state division, consisting of 200 cavalry and 2,000 foot, will come from Virginia. This body, according to its executive committee, desires to be looked upon as representing the former confederates of that state. The horsemen, each furnishing his own Virginia horse, will be attired in a uniform combining the blue and the gray. Those who parade on foot will wear long gray mackintoshes lined with blue, and all will wear the old type of gray slouch hat of the southern confederacy, and blue and gray ribbons bearing the motto: "There shall be no north, no south, no east, no west, but a common country.—Washington." An innovation in the management of the parade is an order issued by the executive committee that no civic or military organization numbering less than 50 men will be given a separate position in the line. This and other orders indicate that the inaugural parade of 1897 will be the grandest procession ever seen in the United States of America.

GEN. HORACE PORTER.

FINE DECORATIONS.

Pennsylvania Avenue to Be a Mass of Flags and Bunting.

The decorations on Pennsylvania avenue will be quite artistic, and no reviewing stands will be erected where they might mar the appearance of the thoroughfare and imperil the lives of spectators. In former years stands were erected wherever fancy or greed dictated, and parts of the avenue looked like the main street of a country village on circus day. This year stands will not only be less numerous, but they will be neatly decorated and placed in nooks where they cannot offend the eye. In 1893 as much as five dollars was asked for a seat in the reviewing stands, and the charge this year will probably be the same. Arches are erected all along the avenue in honor of the visiting governors, and these the various state delegations will be asked to decorate and illuminate. The details of the decorations have been carefully supervised by the committee on decorations and public comfort, to insure good taste and harmony in the massing of color.

THE INAUGURAL BALL.

A Vast Sum Will Be Spent to Make It a Success.

As in years gone by inauguration day will close with a grand ball which, as far as display goes, will be incomparable, although "society" may refuse to look upon it as a real "function." Any respectable citizen who is willing to spend ten dollars for a ticket can take part in the ball with his wife or sweetheart. It is estimated that 10,000 tickets will be sold this year, which means a revenue of $100,000. New gowns to be worn on this occasion, carriage hire, flowers, etc., will cause an expenditure

GEN. NELSON A. MILES.

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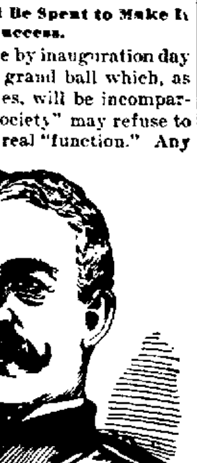

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Fig syrup 35 cents a bottle at I. N. Irwin & Co.

Are you going to the Mardi Gras at New Orleans? The Wabash railroad offer special rates. Tickets now on sale.—22-6t

Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:42 a. m.

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Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The Wabash railroad is offering a very low rate to Washington on account of the inauguration of President McKinley. Tickets on sale March 1, 2 and 3. Call at city office for particulars.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee & Bros.' old stand have a choice stock of fresh garden and flower seeds. Give them a call. feb23-d&wtf

No such high-class and fashionable-bred horses were ever before offered at public sale in central Illinois as are to be sold on Monday, March 1, 1897, commencing at 1 o'clock, at the Montgomery Stock Farm. (No lunch served.) w1-d3t

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Dr. N. D. Meyers was called to Covington, Ind., yesterday on account of the serious illness of his brother at that place. The telegram stated that he was expected to die. Dr. Myers' brother is a prominent citizen of that place and county superintendent of schools.

Webb C. Foster wishes to inform his friends that he has opened a meat market at 1075 North Water street where he will have on hand the best cuts of beef, veal, pork and mutton, etc., and a fresh and full line of all goods in his line.—25-d6

Prestoria Wilkes (2:12¾) will be the first horse sold at the closing out sale of the Montgomery Stock Farm, which will commence at 1 o'clock Monday, March 1, 1897, and each animal will be sold in the order that they appear in the catalogue. Twelve months' time on all sales over $25. w1-d3t

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Bound and Gagged.

The Quong Kee laundry on East Eldorado street, was entered last night at 8 o'clock by two unknown men and robbed of $8.20 in American money and $3 in Chinese coin. The thieves struck the Chinaman, Lung Wa, over the head with a cane and then bound and gagged him. The Chinaman awoke from his enforced sleep at 11:15 when he gave the alarm. The police were unable to get a description of the robbers.

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APPELLATE COURT DECISIONS.

Several Cases of Local and General Interest—Decatur to Pay $1000.

In the damage case of Henry Beston vs city of Decatur, wherein the plaintiff got judgment against the city for $1000, the appellate court affirms the finding and if there is no further appeal the judgment will be paid. Beston was injured permanently by a defective sidewalk. In the prosecution of the case Mr. Beston has been ably represented by Attorney W. C. Johns; J. M. Lee represented the city.

In the case of the city Electric Street Railway vs Edward Hill the appellate court affirms the finding of the circuit court giving the railway company judgment for $100, the amount of money Hill subscribed for the building of the Pugh street extension of the railroad. Mr. Hill contended that the company had not built the road within the time specified in the agreement. Mills Bros. appeared for the company and Leforgee & Lee for Hill.

The appellate court orders a new trial in the farm rent case of Taylor vs Faith. Taylor obtained judgment in the circuit court for about $300. Ben Lill, a tenant of W. H. Taylor, sold Charles Faith, a grain dealer at Warrensburg, a crop of corn raised on Taylor's farm. The rent not being paid Taylor sued Faith in the circuit court, getting judgment for about $300. The case was appealed to the appellate court, and the decision reversed and the case remanded.

The case of Colby Bros. is of considerable interest to attorneys and to the general public from the fact that it is probably the first decision rendered under the mechanics' lien law. Colby Bros. were given judgment under this law on July 1, 1895. The case was taken to the appellate court and in the decision just handed down Judge Vail's decsion is sustained. J. M. Gray represented Colby Bros., and Leforgee & Lee the defendant.

In the case of Hyman Loeb vs J. A. Wilson & Son Judge Vail's decision is again sustained. Loeb was a junk dealer on a big scale. He had a dozen or more teams buying iron about the country in various portions of the state. When a car load had been colllected at some point he went there himself and shipped it to Chicago. Two of his men working in Moultrie county bought a car load and before Loeb's arrival sold on their own account to J. A. Wilson & Son, collecting the money for it. A replevin suit was first begun, but finding the junk had been dumped in the pile with the rest of Wilson's junk a trover suit was instituted. Loeb obtained judgment for $159. In this case J. M. Gray represented Loeb and Leforgee & Lee were the attorneys for Wilson.

In the case of Sanner vs Hight & Son, bankers at Macon in which Sanner got judgment for $1000, the decision is affirmed. In the trial Leforgee & Lee represented Sanner.

MODERN WOODMEN AT HOME.

A Merry Time at the Camp Hall in Powers' New Block.

The gallant and genial members of Decatur Camp, No. 144, Modern Woodmen of America, which organization has a membership of 325, gave a very delightful reception, entertainment and dance at their new hall in Powers' block last night. The handsome rooms were crowded until after the midnight hour, and everybody had a good time. As a part of the entertainment while the members were gathered about their camp fire, a tramp in the person of Fred Jones made up in Weary William style meandered into the room and took possession of the camp fire. The chief forester of the camp, Bud Florey, discovered the intruder, and he was promptly ejected. The incident caused general merriment. The program was as follows:

Song—By Woodmen in the Forest.
Song—By Miss Lena Martin.
Piano Solo—Miss McCune.
Voal Solo—Albert Lindamood.
Recitation—Mrs. Kazar.
Song—Miss Montogmery.
Piano Solo—Miss Culver.
Musical Selection—Charles Wamlsley.
Selection—Orchestra.

The dance in the banquet hall was a very popular feature. The music was by the opera house orchestra. Those who did not care to dance played cards. Camp 144 is in good condition financially and in every other respect. It is steadily growing in membership.

LIFE AT MT. ZION.

Christian Endeavor Activity—Funeral of the Late Mrs. Shrull.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion are completing arrangements to carry out the anniversary program for Christian Endeavor day on next Sabbath evening. Quite an interesting and profitable service may be expected. This society has had a most healthy and commendable growth in really active membership and spirituality, and its meetings are full of earnestness.

Quite an interesting and promising junior endeavor was started in this church on Feb. 14 and much good is expected to be accomplished by this useful little church valentine.

The funeral of Mrs. Matilda J. Shrull, who died at Mt. Zion Wednesday, at the residence of her brother, S. F. Davidson, was held at the residence yesterday at 1 p. m., Rev. Cookrum, pastor of the C. P. church, officiating. Only a brief service was held, the relatives and immediate friends of the family being present. Following the service the remains were taken to the depot to be transported to Paola, Kansas, for interment, the home of her children. Deceased was a widow and left two children, a son and daughter. Mr. Shrull was present to take the body of his mother home with him. Mrs. Shrull had for many years been a consistent member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion.

ILLINOIS GRAIN DEALERS.

The March Meeting in Decatur—The Program.

The closed sessions of the Illinois Grain Dealers' association of which B. S. Tyler of this city is secretary, will be held in Decatur on March 10. The topics selected for discussion are as follows:

"Harmony and Peace Among Ourselves," Theodore P. Baxter of Taylorville.

"Every Regular Grain Dealer Should Become a Member of the Illinois Grain Dealers' Association," H. C. Mowry of Forsyth.

"Reasons Why We Should Stand Up for the Rights of Our Fellow Grain Dealers," Harry Knight of Monticello.

"Grain Men as a Class are Often Unsuccessful; Some Reasons," L. S. Gronleaf of Jacksonville.

"All Commission Houses and Brokers Should Have Corrected Lists of All Elevator Firms in Good Standing; the Benefits," Robert I. Hunt of Decatur.

"The Reasons Why Farmers Cannot Ship Their Own Grain Without Almost Invariably Losing Money," F. P. Rush of Indianapolis.

At The Grand.

Wang To-Night.

"Wang" will be the comic opera treat at the Grand tonight. The company is in town. The cast with the exception of one or two small parts is identically the same as last season. Mr. Albert Hart, who has played the part of "Wang" for the past two seasons has been retained for the same part again this season. Mr. Hart has proved the most wonderful success in that most famous role and it has been said by some of the best critics that Mr. Hart is even better than his famous predecessor.

"The Heart of Chicago."

Great things are promised in the forthcoming production of "The Heart of Chicago," the newest play to tempt fate with anatomical title and which appears at the Powers Grand next Monday. It is said to be a sensational melodrama of real merit and to employ some very remarkable scenic aids. The first of these is said to be an accurate reproduction of a part of the great Chicago fire, the location chosen being the vicinity of State and Madison streets. All the prominent buildings are shown before, during and after the fire. Panting fire engines, exciting throngs, rushing cabs, leaping flames, shouting firemen and flying debris add to the realism of the scene. Another bit of advanced realism is said to be found in the new railroad scene in which a long stretch of level country is shown.

Stuart Robson Coming.

The delightful romance of Opie Read's, "The Jucklins," has been adapted for stage purposes and will be given its first production in this city at the Grand Opera House next Thursday evening, March 4th, by Stuart Robson, who has found a new and interesting character in "Lem Jucklin," the quaint old Tennessee farmer. The play, like the book, teaches an old lesson that the barbarians have not forgotten—the wisdom of the simple-minded, the greater worthiness of heart over head. The play, if like the book, is a fresh whiff from clover-carpeted fields after the perfume of the boudoir. Its life is the life that counts for g od in the world. Its passion is the passion that moistens lips and eyes and does not parch and dry them. It is said to be natural and deals with people whose views are not fangled, and whose virtues are convictions, and not mere conformities to conventionalities.

Buy a 50c copy of "The Jucklins" for 10c at J. W. Diller's book sale, corner North Main and Prairie streets.

Missionary Meeting.

The annual meeting of the foreign missionary society of the Baptist church was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. I. A. Buckingham on West William street. The affair took the form of a tea and was very pleasant to the thirty ladies who were present. The business of the meeting consisted of electing officers of the society and reckoning the amount of mite boxes for the year. It was impossible to determine just what this amount was owing to the fact that all of the boxes were not brought in. Only a few were brought to the meeting that were sent out at the beginning of the year During the afternoon Mrs Buckingham served a light luncheon. The officers chosen for the society were the same as served last year and are Mrs Stella Denison, president; Mrs. Hattie Willis, vice president; Mrs. John Owens, secretary; Mrs. Clay Depew, treasurer. The solicitors are Mrs. A. M. Sedgwick, Mrs. H. Barber and Mrs. James Freeman.

Work of a Strong Man.

J. W. Hart, a traveling athlete, gave an exhibition of physical strength last evening in the office of the St. Nicholas hotel before quite a crowd of spectators. The feats he performed were quite wonderful. He broke cobble stones with his fists, drove a spike into a thick board with his hand and tore a pack of cards in two. He took up a collection from the spectators when he had finished his performance.

HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS.

Enjoyable Entertainment Given by the Sophomores in the Assembly Room.

Gold and royal purple were in the ascendancy at the high school building last night, on the occasion of the reception and entertainment given by the Sophomores. And in addition to the class colors, old glory and cut flowers were in evidence. The room was crowded when Frank Lindsay, the class president, gracefully welcomed the guests of the evening. This program was carried out:

Violin Solo—Roy Sanner.
Recitation—Maggie Veale.
Newspaper by Frank Grout—Read by Ethel Priest.
Vocal Solo—Lena Martin.
Talk on Art—Miss Laura Johns.
Piano Solo—Maggie Wiefel.
Vocal Duet—Misses Eva Jeffers and Grace Beadles.

Lastly came a scene from Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream" by Frank Lindsay, Harold Reuhl, Dan Housum, Edwin Baum, Harry Lanham and Roy Sanner. The scene was well carried out by the boys and elicited loud applause from the audience.

All of the numbers were enthusiastically received. The paper on art by Miss Johns was instructive and entertaining and was well received. The art of drawing is now one of the features of instruction in the schools. Miss Johns in closing said she could remember the time when if a pupil were caught drawing any object in the school room he would be punished by being kept in after dismissal.

Alpha Beta.

Regular meeting of Alpha Beta Literary society was held after school yesterday. Deloe Cozad was admitted to the society. The following program was given:

Reading	Allan Gleason
Newspaper	Frank Mooney
Story	Homer Dawson
Oration	Wayne Williams
Original Story	Lee Boland

Sapphonians.

The Sapphonian literary society held their regular meeting yesterday afternoon. The most important business was the election of new officers, which resulted as follows:

President—Gertrude Phillips.
Vice President—Daisy Fletcher.
Secretary Treasurer—Eva Jeffers.
Factotum—Edith Starr.
Critic—Myrtle Flint.
Press Reporter—Mollie Grubel.

The following program was given:

Recitation	Edith Starr
Reading	Bessie Dills
Recitation	Maggie Veale
Reading	Carrie Birks

Circuit Court Jurymen.

The following residents of the county have been drawn to serve as petit jurymen to serve for the remainder of the January term of the circuit court. The following will report for duty on March 8:

Walter S. Simpson, Fred Baldwin, John Ronan, J. Roberts, J. P. Jones, James H. Constant, W. M. Yantis, Edward D. Larkins, Joseph Arthur, J. P. Strausbaugh, F. Clark, John Bauer, W. W. Foster, A. L. Hildebrant, F. Beck, J. H. Montgomery L. S. Cann, W. H. Diss, S. C. Park, all of Decatur; and Amos Robinson, Illini; E. N. Downing, Blue Mound C. E. Morrison, Harristown; James E. Herts, Oakley; I. J. Heckles, Long Creek; George Bricker, Friends Creek; E. E. McKinney and Walter Bullentine, Friends Creek; M. C. Wilkie, Maroa; Louis C. Wree and John Hoban, Niantic; J. A. Blythe, Long Creek; Nelson Vest, Mt. Zion; H. G. Scott, Mt. Zion; Fred Fuller, Pleasant View; J. F. Collins, Pleasant View.

The following is the venire for March 22:

S. Dillenger, J. W. Dillenger, John Allman, J. R. Painter, H. W. Baldridge, John E. Otte, Charles Pringle, Oliver White, William Cress, James Poor, William Ellis, Charles Radcliff, Samuel Deitz, L. Kubuer, C. M. Crocker and George F. Baker of Decatur; Morgan Belknap, Austin; A. W. Evans, Blue Mound; Otto Heiner, Harristown; F. L. McWilliams, Illini; Charles Gregory, George Reuss, Joseph Blower, J. M. Bushart, Mt. Zion; George Stahl, Daniel Moore, Niantic; J. H. Hoover, Friends Creek; T. Smith, Pleasant View; J. E. Brookshire, Pleasant View Frank Witt, South Wheatland.

Foot Ball Game Postponed.

The foot ball game which was to have been played by the first and second high school teams this afternoon, has been postponed. The ground is frozen and is too rough to play on. The game will be given as soon as the weather moderates.

Cold Snap.

This morning at an early hour the temperature was down to two degrees below zero.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Fair, warmer tonight; Sunday, increasing cloudiness and warmer; fresh southerly winds.

The Hypocrites.

Why is it that every political fraud who has become a traitor to the principles of the Republican party, the first thing he does tries to excuse his treachery by assuming that the party has changed and they have not? The latest characters on the stage of hypocracy to do this are Teller and Dubois, who in the recent election supported Bryan who has always been a Democrat and to that added the doctrine of open robbery as a free silverite. They not only supported the free silver heresy, in supporting Bryan, but also supported the old Democratic dogma of state sovereignty and the reduction of the low tariff Wilsam bill 50 per cent, which would have been the result of a 50-cent dollar, for the unit of account, by which all rates of duties were fixed in the bill, was a 100 cent dollar.

Yet in face of these facts which every voter should know these political mountebanks in calling a meeting of so-called silver Republicans call themselves Republicans and assert that they believe themselves "in harmony with the original spirit of the Republican party and then prate about 'sacred memories.' As before stated they play the role of every traitor who has tried to divert the party from the paths of honesty and patriotism.

We are not, in this article, referring to men who openly and boldly left the party in times past because men sometimes change their views and leave one party to find a more congenial home in another. The reference is to those who, while professing to be Republicans are traitors to it, like Teller and Dubois. The assumption of such men is ridiculous. Who supposes for one moment that such men as these are the only ones, among the millions, who are able to interpret the principles of the party.

When was the Republican party in favor of paying debts in 50 cent dollars? When did the Republican party ever favor changing the unit of account from a 100-cent dollar to a 50-cent dollar? Teller and Dubois have favored both these frauds upon the people. When has ever the Republican party favored the nullification of an act of congress or when did it ever favor the twin sister of nullification—the revolutionary method of forcing a rider upon a bill and thus attempting to take away the right of free consent from a coordinate branch of the government as Teller and Dubois did in the case of the bill to relieve the public treasury? These men are devilish frauds in the body politic and would not hesitate to bring the government into bankruptcy to aid a few silver millionaires and a few men to pay their debts in money worth only half as much as the money they borrowed.

De Lome on Cleveland.

Senor de Lome, the Spanish minister at Washington, wrote his home government a note in which he refers to President Cleveland and in which he called the attention of the prime minister to the fact that Spain owed a debt of gratitude to President Cleveland and Secretary Olney for the brave manner in which they had defied public opinion and aided Spain to all points to put down the rebellion in Cuba.

The Spanish minister called the attention of his home government to the fact that the Cleveland administration not only had thrown no obstacles in the way of prosecution of fillibusters, but had, in fact, been foremost in putting a stop to their operations and had invoked the machinery of the federal courts without hesitation to prevent the sending of expeditions to Cuba.

He declared that President Cleveland had given personal orders to the secretary of the navy and the secretary of the treasury placing on guard along the Florida coast revenue marine cutters and even the armed ships of the navy.

De Lome states the facts in his note as to the course of Cleveland even going so far as to commend him for defying the opinion of the people of the United States in aiding Spain to put down the Cubans. Could such an endorsement say more to convict Cleveland and Olney of the grossest crime against American citizenship. Why should Cleveland defy the opinion of the people. Did not they elevate him to his office? Don't they pay him his salary? Don't he owe all he thinks he is to our American institutions? Then what right has he to lord it over the people and defy them and win the plaudits of the enemy of our people? Only four days more, thank God and the constitution.

The Chicago Tribune attacks those who are trying to make cheap capital by opposing an appropriation to repair the governor's mansion and winds up by saying that if the state cannot afford to keep the mansion in repair it had better sell out and put its governor in a hotel parlor. Why not let him dwell in the tent of General Van Cleve, that modern military Eli.

Considering the foreign policy of the present administration there are but two men, Consul General Lee and our minister to Turkey, who have honored the country which they represented, and the three most despicable in the whole lot are Cleveland, Olney and Bayard.

The fourth of March is approaching and yet we hear nothing from "the organization." What is the matter with Jamieson? He ought to be doing "the best thing for Illinois"

Four more days will end the most nauseating fraud of an administration, as to its foreign policy, ever inflicted upon the "land of the free and the home of the brave."

The allied powers are not much more successful in suppressing Greece then the allied powers of Spain and Cleveland and Cleveland are in subduing the Cubans.

M'KINLEY A WELL MAN.

His Doctor Says He is Fully Recovered but Must Have a Care.

Canton, Feb. 27.—McKinley's physician says he is a well man, perfectly able to make the journey to Washington and he will allow him to receive his fellow citizens on Monday evening and address them, if the major desires, but no handshaking will be allowed. Aside from this the expectation is that no visitors will be received by the president-elect during his stay at Canton.

The appointment of Whitelaw Reid, editor of the New York Tribune, to a cabinet position, which had been under consideration for some time by the president-elect, has been reluctantly abandoned owing to the ill health of Reid.

Sales of Real Estate.

Kilburn H. Roby to Charles P. Thatcher, a forty-foot lot on East North street, $7000.

Albert L. Clark to Sarah D. Hill, lot 7 in block 3 of Millikin place, $7000.

Henry Smith to Nell Schroll Clark, lot 9 in block 4 in Solona place addition to Decatur, $1.

Suit for Divorce.

In court in Douglas county Mrs. Stella Irwin-Gordy has filed a bill for a divorce from her husband, Arthur C. Gordy, alleging infidelity and naming a Miss Kellogg as co-respondent. It is alleged that the pair lived together in Decatur. There are two children.

As to Mr. Crea.

There is no information obtainable today as to Attorney Hugh Crea in the hospital at Chicago, except that his condition is unchanged.

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morrison, of Worthington, Ind., *Sun* writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Anna Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and strength. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Get a bottle at West's drug store

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 27, 1897.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to S. Z. Layter, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
February	—	—	—	73½
May	74⅛	74⅝	73⅞	74⅛
July	71⅝	72½	71⅝	72⅜
Corn—				
February	—	—	—	22½
May	23⅞	23⅞	23⅜	23⅞
July	25	25	24⅞	25
Oats—				
February	—	—	—	15⅝
May	16⅞	17	16⅝	16⅞
July	17⅜	17⅝	17⅜	17⅝
Pork—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	8.07½	8.12½	8.07½	8.10
Lard—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	4.07½	4.10	4.07½	4.07½
Ribs—				
February	—	—	—	—
May	4.17½	—	—	4.17½

May wheat: puts, 73⅞c; calls, 75⅛c; curb, 74⅛.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS.

Wheat—10. Estimated, 120. Year ago, 93.
Corn—289; Estimated, 220; a year ago, 258
Oats—191; Estimated, 320, a year ago, 341.

ESTIMATES FOR MONDAY.

Wheat, 16; Corn, 300; oats, 250.

Hog receipts 25,000; estimated, 24,000. Market slow and steady.

Light, $3.50@3.70; Mixed, $3.45@3.65; Heavy $3.45@3.62; Rough $3.30@3.40.

Estimated for Monday, 45,000.

Cattle receipts, 200. Market steady.

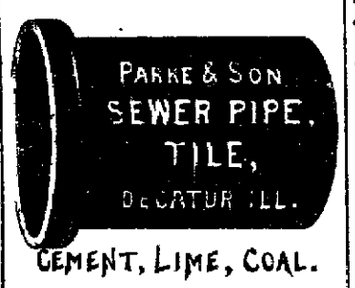
PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, Feb. 27.—Corn, steady, new, No. 2, white, ——c; oats, easy, No. 2, white, 17⅛@17½c; Rye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Butter, steady, creamery, 12@19c; Eggs, weak, 16½c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Wheat, May, 79⅞c; Corn, May, 29⅛c; oats, May, 21¼c.



CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

SHERMAN ALL RIGHT.

Would Protect Our Citizens in Cuba With Battleships.

Des Moines, Feb. 27.—Major Hart Sherman, brother of Senator John Sherman, has just returned from a visit to the latter. He says the incoming secretary of state is in favor of immediate action to protect American citizens in Cuba and criticises the present administration for not doing so. He favors sending battle ships to Cuba instanter. He thinks this would not provoke a war with Spain.

In the office of the circuit clerk today Mary C. Kincaid filed a bill for divorce from her husband, Lloyd Kincaid. She names desertion as the grounds for divorce.

Miller, one of the Harristown men who was arrested for gambling, was before Judge Hammer in the county court this morning and pleaded guilty. He was fined $10 and costs each on two counts.

Chairman Hanna Arrives.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Hon. Mark Hanna and family arrived this morning.

—James Paris, a teacher at the Harristown school, was in the city today.

—Miss Stella Hamilton left today for Indianapolis where she will visit friends.

He Found It So.

"The darkest hour—" and firmer grew his stride,
And hope lit up his pale face, wan and drawn;
"The darkest hour—" once more the baby cried—
"The darkest hour is just before the dawn."
—Town Topics.

A Study in Colors.

Freshleigh, 1900, met an old colored man the other day crossing the campus and the following conversation ensued:

Freshleigh—Hello, Sam! The trees are getting nearly as black as you are, hey?

Big Sam—Yessah, an' next spring, sah, dey'll be nearly as green as you, sah.—Princeton Journal.

A Perverted Compliment.

"There is one thing I must say in Mrs. Chatterby's favor," said one woman.

"What is that?" inquired the other.

"She tells the truth."

"Yes," was the reply, in a tone of tiredness, "and she's constantly at it. I never saw such a horrid gossip."—Washington Star.

A Success.

"Were your theatrical entertainments for charity a success?" asked one girl.

"Yes, indeed! We got $107.25."

"Indeed! You must have had a large audience."

"No, we took in $7.25 at the ticket office and father gave us $100 never to do it again."—Washington Star.

An Extraordinary Case.

Cynicus—That was a remarkable case of appendicitis they operated on at the hospital yesterday.

Medicus—How so?

Cynicus—They found something the matter with the patient's vermiform appendix.—Town Topics.

Slippery Weather.

They've sprinkled ashes on the pave,
'Tis thus that our applause they win.
But favor is a fickle knave;
We'll hate them when the thaw sets in.
—Washington Star.

JUST BEFORE THE QUARREL.

She—It seems almost impossible that you should love me.

He—That's what my mother says. How nicely you and she will get along if you always agree like that.—Harlem Life.

The Catamount and Bulldog.

The bulldog fought the wildcat fierce.
And of himself gave full account too;
And as they dug the wildcat's grave,
He marled: "What does a catamount to?"
—Cincinnati Tribune.

Cause and Effect.

"Do your daughter and that Mr. De Celver quarrel as much as they used to?"

"More. A great deal more. They're married now, you know."—Detroit Free Press.

Faith Based on Reason.

She—Do you believe in love at first sight, Mr. Henpeck?

Mr. Henpeck—Decidedly, for people would never love if they had second-sight.—Brooklyn Life.

For Cause.

Sunday School Teacher—What did God do to punish man for his first disobedience?

Little Bob—He a—a—made woman!—Up-to-Date.

Like a Tart.

She has a tart answer
With which me to greet.
To her 'tis permitted
To be crusty and sweet.
—Detroit Tribune.

No Danger.

Doctor—You won't forget your medicine?

Patient—Can't, doctor. It's too disagreeable to forget.—N. Y. Tribune.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are requested to announce J. C. HANEAS as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce P. B. PROVOST as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES O'MARA as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce O. W. SMITH as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce CHARLES M. CALDWELL as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce WILLIAM BUNDY as a candidate for Commissioner of Highways, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce J. T. LLOYD as a candidate for Constable, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce LANDY H. MARTIN as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce S. T. KEELER as a candidate for Assessor for Decatur township, subject to the Republican primary election.

We are authorized to announce W. H. SHORR as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce T. L. ANTRIM as a candidate for Constable, subject to the action of the Republican Township convention.

We are authorized to announce ALBERT H. COPE as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican Township convention.

We are authorized to announce A. H. GORDON as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE P. HARDY as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce FRED. E. MILLER as a candidate for Constable, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce JOHN NICHOLLS as a candidate for Town Clerk, subject to the decision of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce JAMES S. CARTER as a candidate for Town Collector, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

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"And as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings.—*Matt. xxiii., 37.*

The Jucklins!

Opie Read' Latest Novel, Dramatized by Dan'l Hart.

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NOTE.—Buy a 50c copy of "The Jucklins" for 10c at J. W. Diller's book sale, corner North Main and Prairie streets.

Reserved seats on sale at the Opera House Drug Store Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

On Feb. 23, March 29, April 6th and 20th, May 4th and 18th, settlers' one way tickets to points south at very low rates.

Winter Tourist tickets are now on sale to the principal Winter resorts in the South and Southeast.

Improved Dining Car Service on the Wabash. Meals will now be served A la Carte on all dining cars on the Wabash line. This will be a great accommodation to passengers as it will enable them to select from the bill of fare just what they want and pay only for what they get.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

Homeseekers' excursion to principal points in the west, northwest, south and southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of every month, at one fare plus $2 round trip. Tickets good returning every Tuesday and Friday within three weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.

Springfield, Ill., account Illinois Farmers' Institute Meeting; one and one third fare round trip. Tickets sold Feb. 22d to 26th, inclusive; good returning till 27th.

Washington, D. C., account Presidential inauguration. One fare round trip. Tickets sold March 1st, 2d and 3d; good returning not later than March 8th.

Carson City, Nevada, account Corbet-Fitzsimmons entertainment; $74.40 round trip. Tickets on sale March 12th and 13th—good returning till March 23d

Lincoln, Neb., account Biennial Conference, Seventh Day Adventists. Tickets sold Feb. 17; good returning only leaving Lincoln March 6th. One fare, plus $2.00, for round trip. Tickets are on sale at one and one third fare on certificate plan, on Feb. 7th, 15th, 23d and March 1st.

Account Mardi Gras March 2d, tickets will be sold to New Orleans or Mobile at $20.75 round trip. Tickets will be sold Feb. 22d to 28th, inclusive; good returning till March 27th. For pamphlets giving full particulars of Mardi Gras call at city office.

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FOR SATURDAY

At The Big Store.

NO. 1.
25 cents for Men's Silk Teck Ties, well made, pretty patterns, worth 50 cents.

NO. 2.
4½c yard for best Indigo Blue and Turkey Red Calico. It always sells for 7c.

NO. 3.
25c yd. for New Spring Dress Goods, Scotch Suitings and Broken Checks, 36 to 40 inches wide and worth 39c yard.

NO. 4.
10c box for Wild Locust Honey Toilet Soap, 3 bars in a box and worth 10c bar.

NO. 5.
5c each for an odd lot of Towels—Turkish, Monne and Huckaback — some worth 15c.

NO. 6.
69c each for a Ladies' Wrapper, well made, good material, and cheap at 98c.

NO. 7.
95c for Ladies' Brilliantine Skirt, full sweep, percaline lined and well worth $2.00.

NO. 8.
98c for Girls' Spring Reefers in Tan, Navy, Brown and Red, braid trimmed to match and cheap at $1.75.

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New Hats!

FOR SPRING.

Just Received.

See the New CUBAN FLAT, The Latest.

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COME AND GET WHAT YOU WANT. The fire loss of December 28 has been adjusted and all new and slightly damaged goods—as good as new—will go at astonishingly low figures. Come early. Dry Goods, Groceries—everything, are in THE GREAT BARGAIN SALE.

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Few more of the—
...DRESS SHIRTS...
35c, or three for $1.00 left.
COME AND GET THEM.

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CORSETS...

Now is the time to buy a Perfect Fitting CORSET...

I CARRY FULL LINE—

Warner's, Thompson's Glove-Fitting, R and G, Flexo Girdle, P. D. Jackson Corset Waist.

A dress form Corset in black, white and summer for $1.00
For a cheap Corset try my 50c.

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

IN A RUNAWAY.

The Police Patrol Wagon Team Do Some Damage—Nobody Crippled.

The patrol wagon team indulged in a runaway last evening on Franklin street, and as a result the wagon is at the Wayne Sulkyette works for repairs. The tongue is split in two places, an axle is sprung, the fender is shattered and one side of the wagon bed is slightly scratched. There was a drunken man to be brought in from near the furniture factory. Officer Clements with Special Officer Hendricks went after the jag with the wagon, and were coming back, when the team got beyond the control of Officer Clements at the corner of Prairie and Franklin streets, owing to trouble with a mitten which was partly pulled off the right hand of the driver. Hendricks dropped the jag to the bottom of the wagon and attempted to help Clements, but at that moment in making the turn, the wagon tipped over and the men were thrown out of the rig, the team tearing on down the street to the Abram Kramer carriage works where they were caught by Will Markwell. One of the horses got mixed up with a buggy and had one of his legs skinned. Clements was slightly injured by the fall from the wagon. The jag and Hendricks escaped injury. The jag finished his ride in a delivery wagon procured by Officer Dempsey.

Mr. Wayne on examination found that the wagon, which was built at the Sulkyette works, stood the shock and jar remarkably well. He says $7 will cover all damage. The wagon will be out of the shop this evening ready for use.

John Nichols for Town Clerk.

In this issue appears the formal announcement of John Nicholls as a candidate for town clerk subject to the action of the Republican convention. Mr. Nicholls is well known to the citizens of Decatur; has resided here continuously since 1875; served three years in the army as a member of the 103rd O. V. I.; is a member of Dunham Post, G. A. R.; is the present town clerk, appointed on Jan. 26 last by the unanimous vote of the board of auditors to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of H. C. Wallace. This of itself is a strong personal endorsement. He is thoroughly qualified for the office, having had several years' experience as clerk; is quick and accurate and looks carefully after every detail of the work and is so situated that he can give his time to the work and will be found in the office at all times when wanted a point of vital importance. He respectfully solicits the support of the voters at the primaries as his nomination is equivalent to an election.

Y. M. C. A. News.

Jim Burwick, a railroad man who is in the employ of the national committee of the Y. M. C. A., will speak at the Y. M. C. A. rooms tomorrow at 3:30 o'clock.

The board of directors will hold a meeting next Tuesday evening to transact the business of the month.

The hour for the Sunday afternoon men's meetings at the Y. M. C. A. will be changed to 4 o'clock after March 1.

Next Thursday an open night will be held at the gymnasium. Ladies and gentlemen who are interested in the work will be admitted and allowed to watch the classes exercise.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. who gave the basket ball game came out a little behind in finances. They will give another game soon in this city and will go to Springfield to play a return game next month.

The Late J. A. Lowry.

The inquest over the body of the late J. A. Lowry was not held by Coroner Bendure until 10 o'clock this forenoon. The verdict was that the man came to his death by natural causes. The jury was as follows: Dr. Sanders, foreman, Dr. Drew, Dr. Lonergan, Dr. Charles Wood, Will Jacobs and John Moore.

The funeral will be held at the family residence on South Jackson street at 10 a. m., Monday. The body will be taken to Salem graveyard for burial.

Sunday Afternoon Meeting.

There will be a meeting in the interest of good citizenship at the First M. E. church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at which Mrs. Gastman, a visitor, will be heard as opposed to the manufacture and sale of cigarettes in the state. Rev. D. F Howe and Superintendent Gastman will deliver addresses. All citizens opposed to the use of cigarettes and favoring good citizenship are invited to be present.

City Teachers' Meeting.

The meeting of city teachers at the office of Superintendent Gastman at the high school building this forenoon was largely attended. It was made of special interest because of the presence of Prof. Galbreath of the State Normal University, who gave a helpful address on school management, mainly on the points of interest and attention of scholars.

Oratorical Association.

Prof. Sheppard, principal of the Decatur high school, went to Bloomington this morning to attend a meeting of the oratorical association which will be held at the state Normal University. A banquet will be given this evening in honor of the past presidents, of whom Mr. Sheppard is one. He will respond to the address of welcome.

Next Monday morning Mrs. Mary E Haworth will read a paper before the members of the junior and senior classes o the high school. Her subject will be Mary Lyon.

TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers, have another of their popular EXCURSIONS TO TEXAS on TUESDAY, MARCH 2d, where they are selling so much of their choice cheap lands near Houston and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level prairie, most of them new and rich, have never had a plow in them. We can sell you cheaper and better lands, better terms than any one and can take exchange in on some of them. Write us for circulars. We also do a general exchange business; have land to exchange for stocks of goods goods to exchange for lands. In fact can fit you with almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars on the country across the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Millikin bank building, Decatur, Ills.
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Riley & Mann's Second Sale.
5-Room Property at 1020 St. Louis Ave.
Furnace, Well, Cistern, Fruit, Barn.
See our Bulletin Board for Terms.
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SUNDAY SERVICES.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
Rev. A. W. Hawkins pastor. Services in W. C. T. U. hall. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme: "The Blackest Page in the History of the 19th Century. In the evening J. M. Burwick, an ex-railroad conductor, will speak. Endeavor service at 6:30 p. m.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH.
On Spring Avenue. Rev. I. T. Pearman, pastor in charge. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Prayer for Revival." Evening subject, "Danger of Letting Good Opportunities Slip." Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Young People's Christian Endeavor at 7:00 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
W. H. Penhallegon, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., A. H. Mills, supt. Services at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "A Light in the Cloud." In the evening, "Rebuked by an Ass." Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.
Strangers and others not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., W. D. Wells, Supt.

WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.
Corner of Macon street and Haworth avenue. Sunday school at 2:15 p. m., P. P. Laughlin, Supt.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH.
W. F. Gillmore, D. D., pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor Sacramental services in the morning and preaching at night. Epworth League Monday evening.

EDWARD STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH.
Corner West William and Edward streets. Rev. Marion Stevenson pastor. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m., E. March, Supt. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor. Morning subject, "Authority of Christ." Evening, "Paul's Experiences in Rome." Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. A full attendance of the members of the church is desired. Those not worshiping elsewhere cordially invited. All seats free.
Leafland Avenue Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH.
The Centenary U. U. church, corner of N. Broadway and Eldorado streets, M. B. Spayd, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m., T. G. Ruthroff, Supt. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subjec, "The Basket Portion." Evening, "Bankruptcy."

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.
Rev. D. F. Howe pastor. Class meeting at 9 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 10.45 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Thorns and Roses." Evening theme, "Your Own Inauguration Day." Prelude, "Inauguration Day Thoughts." Endeavor service at 6 45 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public and to all not worshiping elsewhere.

SARGEANT'S CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Class meeting at 3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Rev. Frank N. Atkin rector. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Holy Communion at 7 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 10:30 a. m. Evensong and sermon at 7:30 p. m.

GERMAN M. E. CHURCH.
Corner of North Jackson and East North streets, J. C. Rapp, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. by the pastor. Morning subject, "Doing and Acting for God." Evening: "The True Food for the Soul." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Epworth League meeting at 7: 15. p. m.

CHURCH OF GOD.
Corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets. J. Bernard, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning theme, "Walking With God." Evening, "How Noah Served His Generations." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., W. L. Huff, supt. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.
Corner North Water and East North streets Rev. D. R. MacGregor, pastor; residence, 450 N. College street. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10 45. Sermon by the pastor, subject: "At Home With Christ." Evening, "An Evening With the Hymn Writers."
Baptists, together with commercial travelers, and those without church homes in our city, are cordially invited. Intermediate Endeavor Sunday evening at 6:30. Senior C. E. Monday evening at 7:30.

SERVICES AT EAST PARK CHAPEL.
Sunday school at 2:30 p. m., J. Edward Saxton, superintendent.
Those in the vicinity of the Chapel are cordially invited.

SPIRITUALIST SOCIETY.
Spiritualist services will be held at 559 North Jackson street at 7:30 p. m. Subject, of discourse, "The True and the False." Those interested in spiritual truth are invited. India Bill, pastor.

ALL ANGELS' CHURCH.
East Eldorado street, W. Bedford-Jones rector. Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Litany and sermon at 10:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3:00 p. m. Confirmation Class at 4 p. m. Evensong and sermon at 7:30 p. m. The subject of the sermon in the morning will be. "Confirmation as Apostolic and Primitive." In the evening, "Confirmation; Its Scope and Purpose as Regards the Christian Life.
On Wednesday next, Ash Wednesday, there will be holy communion at 7 a. m., and evening service at 7:30 with an address, "Lent, its Use and Abuse."

CHRISTIAN TABERNACLE.
Church street, between Eldorado and North. Rev. Geo. F. Hall, pastor. Prof. M. S. Calvin, Musical Director. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; C. W. Lowman, Supt. Communion and preaching at 10:45 a. m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Evening service at 7:30. The pastor, who has just returned from an extensive lecture trip, will preach at the morning service, and the Choir will give a song-sermon at night, under direction of Prof. Calvin.
Riverside Mission School at 2:30 p. m.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A West, the druggist.

REDUCED PRICES FOR 30 DAYS.
Ladies' and Children's Dresses, Cloaks, Wrappers and Capes dyed and dry cleaned. No ripping apart. Lace and chenile and portiers dry cleaned at reduced prices for February, by the leading practical dyers and dry cleaners of Decatur. H. H. Miller & Bro., 145 North Main street.

Three Shoes...
—At JOHNSTON'S.

We call special attention to-day to three different prices of shoes that we sell for ladies' wear.

AT $2.50 PER PAIR.
An elegant Pointed Toe Dongola Kid Shoe that sells usually at from $3.00 to $3.50 per pair—Button and Lace.

AT $2.00 PER PAIR.
A fine Dongola Kid Pointed Toe Shoe, that retails generally at $2.50 to $2.75 a pair—Button or Lace.

AT $1.50 PER PAIR.
A nice Kid Button Pointed Toe Shoe on sale that often sells for $2 00 per pair.

Children's Shoes at $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50 per pair.
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Jackets and Capes...
Must all be closed out regardless of cost or value.

At Johnston's Dry Goods Store.
151 North Water Street.

Our Inauguration Day
MARCH 4,

We will be found in our new home, 159 EAST MAIN STREET, with all the New Spring Clothing for all mankind.

Call at once at our present location, 108 Prairie street, and get the many Bargains in Clothing now offered.

MEN'S $ 5.00 SUITS AT $3.00
" 6.00 " " 3.70
" 8.00 " " 6.00
" 12.00 " " 8.00
All Goods Reduced In Price.

CALL AT THE
...GEO. W. JONES & CO...
Clothing House
FOR BARGAINS. WE MEAN BUSINESS.
Now 108 East Prairie Street.
On and after March 4th at 159 EAST MAIN STREET, Building known as "The Fair."

Special Sale for 10 Days
—AT—
Savings Bank Store,
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COMMENCING FEB. 18.

Dress Goods Department.

2500 yds. of Worsted Plaids for Dresses at 4½c yd.
2500 " Light Calico, very best, at 3c yard.
3000 " Apron Gingham at 3c yard.
3500 " Indigo Blue Calico, very best, at 4½c yd.
1800 " Henrietta Cashmere, all colors, 36 inches wide, at 16c yd.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 48c.
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 65c.

Clothing Department.

3 dozen Men's Black Cheviot Suits, price $8.00—for this sale $3.75
3 dozen Men's Fancy All Wool Suits, price $11.00—for this sale 6.98
6 dozen Men's All Wool Pants, all colors, in heavy weight, price $2.75—for this sale 1.98
4 dozen Heavy Cottonade Pants, price $1.00—this sale 58c
5 dozen Men's fine Outing Flannel Nightgowns, price $1.50—for this sale 75c
5 dozen Men's Muslin Gowns, fancy bosom and cuffs, for this sale 40c
25 dozen Men'sOu ting Flannel Overshirts, full size, at 25c

Shoe Department.

We just received a new line of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, which we will sell for this sale at a Great Bargain.
36 pair Ladies' Dongola Button Shoe, price $1.75 and $2.00, for this sale $1.10
36 pairs Boys' Fine Calf Skin Shoe, razor toe, price $1.50, for this sale 98c
36 pairs Child's Shoes at 88c
72 pairs Men's Fine Calf Skin Shoes, razor toe, at $1.18
72 pairs Ladies' Rubbers at 20c

Cloak Department.

48 Black, Fine Jackets, regular price $10 and $12. Your choice for this sale $3.50
A fine Beaver Jacket, price $250, to be sold at a reasonable offer. Come and get a bargain.

Thousands of other articles which we will offer at A GREAT BARGAIN.
☞Remember the Place—THE SAVINGS BANK STORE corner North Water and Park streets.
YOURS RESPECTFULLY,
SAVINGS BANK STORE.

A CONSERVATIVE FARMER.

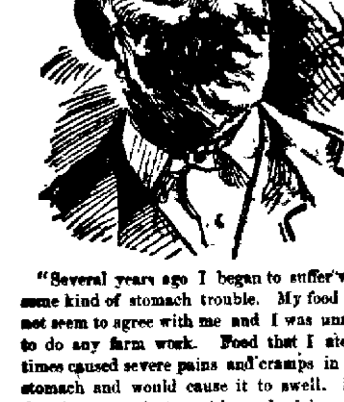
Mr. J. P. Utley, of Mt. Vernon, Interviewed by a Reporter.

HE TELLS OF HIS SUFFERINGS WITH TROUBLE OF THE STOMACH.

How He Fought it for Years—Physicians Tried to Cure Him but Failed— Finally He Discovers a Remedy and is Cured.

From the Sun, Mt. Vernon, Ind.

Mr. J. P. Utley, aged sixty-four years, whose post-office address is Mt. Vernon, Ind., has been a resident of Posey County for forty-eight years, and is one of Posey County's most prominent and prosperous farmers. Mr. Utley lives in Lynn township, about seven miles northeast of this city, and he desires to speak through the columns of the *Sun* a few words in behalf of a famous remedy for diseases of the blood, so that his many friends may profit by an experience which he had. Said Mr. Utley a few days ago to a reporter:



"Several years ago I began to suffer with some kind of stomach trouble. My food did not seem to agree with me and I was unable to do any farm work. Food that I ate at times caused severe pains and cramps in my stomach and would cause it to swell. I at first began to doctor with a physician who was traveling through the country, but he did me no good. I then went to Mt. Vernon and consulted one of the best physicians in the city who pronounced my case abscess of the liver, and began to treat me by first blistering my right side and back. He then gave me one or two different kinds of medicine all of which afforded me but temporary relief. After doctoring with him for five or six months without receiving any permanent benefit, I tried two other physicians with the same result.

"A year ago last February, I was confined to my bed and suffered one of the worst attacks I had ever had, and while doctoring with one of the aforesaid doctors, I read in a paper of the wonderful cures that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People were accomplishing and the testimonials of people who had taken them and been restored to health, so I decided as soon as I was able to get to town, I would buy a box and try them.

"In a few weeks I was able to go out and accordingly went to W. H. Fogas' drug store and procured a box of Pink Pills which I took home. On my way home I began to study about taking the pills, and became afraid to try them, as I had taken other patent medicines and been doctoring with first-class physicians, so I laid the box away where it stayed until last September. I then began to take one after each meal. The [illegible] after I had been taking them food began to smell good to me. I began to feel better and relish my food, and strange to [illegible] agreed with me which was something I had not experienced during my three years [illegible].

"[illegible] taking five boxes of the pills I now [illegible] well and am not bothered with my old trouble at all, my only trouble now is [illegible] to hold what I [illegible] also able to do as [illegible].

"Since I have received permanent relief and believe myself [illegible] mended the Pills to a number of [illegible]. This is the first [illegible] recommended in my life, but I am happy to do it if it will help any sufferer to regain health and bodily activity.

"I occasionally take some of the pills, but not regularly. It is said the pills are stimulating, but I cannot say that they give me any such sensations that I am aware of. They merely cure and that is enough.

[Signed] "J. P. UTLEY."

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of August, 1896.

JOHN B. DAVIS,
Justice of the Peace.

The Sad Condition of One of Indiana's Fair Young Ladies.

From the News, Indianapolis, Ind.

Probably one of the most direct, as well as extraordinary cases where Dr. Williams' Pink Pills was the immediate cause of effecting a permanent cure of complete nervous prostration, is that of Miss Pearl Hosier, who lives in the country with her grandmother, Mrs. Michael Crull, ten miles west of Richmond, Ind.

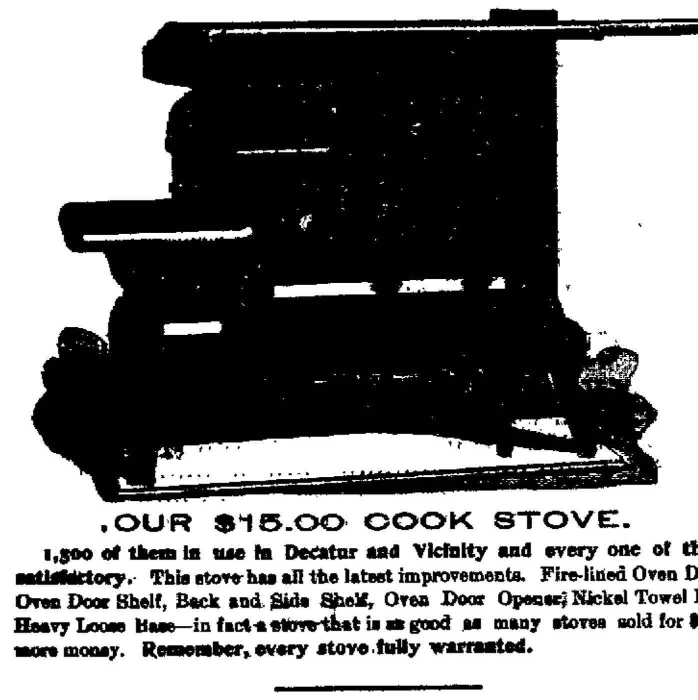
Hearing of the case a reporter visited this young lady a short time ago and learned the following facts:

Miss Pearl is now in her nineteenth year. Up to the time that she was fifteen she was well, stout and very hearty. As she developed into womanhood a slight twitching of the nerves and muscles of the hands, arms and face were noticed, and rapidly became worse from day to day, and a disposition was shown to avoid all company, and she became melancholy.

The best medical advice was obtained and she was treated by two physicians, both of whom failed in giving her any relief.

It was while the disease was at its worst that her father came across a notice in one of the papers of the curative powers of the Pink Pills for Pale People, and he at once procured a box for his daughter and had her brought home. The results were almost immediately effectual to the great joy of Miss Hosier's friends and relatives and the astonishment of everybody, all of whom are happy in testifying to the same.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all druggists, or may be had by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y., for 50c. per box, or six boxes for $2.50.



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THE DANCE PROGRAMME.

A Really Artistic Production, Valuable as a Souvenir.

The dancing programmes for the inauguration ball are dainty and appropriate. The front contains an embossed

IN FRONT OF THE WHITE HOUSE

likeness of President McKinley in gold in the center of a wreath of laurel, at the bottom of which is an American flag, while above is poised an eagle with outstretched wings, holding in his beak a streamer with the words: "McKinley and Hobart," beneath the wreath being the simple inscription "Inaugural Ball." On the back is a vignette of Vice President Hobart, surrounded by a laurel wreath, beneath which are a shield and mace, with the words "March 4, 1897." The dancing programme comprises the following numbers:

Waltz, "Return to Spring"	Waldteufel
Promenade, "The Gold Bug"	Victor Herbert
Lanciers, "A Gaiety Girl"	Jones
Waltz, "Artist Life"	Strauss
Promenade, "Spanish Dance"	Moszkowski
Quadrille, "Jou Jou"	Gungl
Two Step, "El Capitan"	Sousa
Promenade, "Gems from 'Carmen'"	Bizet
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Promenade, "Hungarian Czardas"	Grossman
Two Step, "White Flyer"	Haley
Waltz, "Symposy"	Bendix
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Promenade, "Grand Fantasie, 'Faust'"	Gounod
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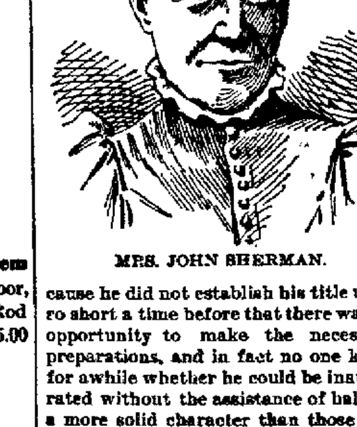
Lanciers, "Robin Hood"	De Koven
Promenade, "The American Girl"	V. Herbert
Two Step, "Black America"	Zickle
Waltz, "My Dream"	Strauss
Promenade, "Grand Finale, from 'William Tell'"	Rossini
Two Step, "Semper Fidelis"	Sousa
Waltz, "Auf Wiedersehen"	Baker

The music for the ball will be furnished by hundreds of musicians. The president and his wife will visit the scene and hold a reception, though the days have gone when the chief magistrate and the first lady in the land were expected to lead the cotillon. Balls have been the regular thing ever since James Madison was inducted into office, except for the fact that Franklin Pierce was passed by because nobody cared to get up a ball for him, and Rutherford B Hayes was similarly omitted from the list of presidents danced into office because he did not establish his title until so short a time before that there was no opportunity to make the necessary preparations, and in fact no one knew for awhile whether he could be inaugurated without the assistance of balls of a more solid character than those now held in the pension office.



MRS. JOHN SHERMAN.

INAUGURATION DAY.

Congress Could Change Its Date by a Simple Resolution.

Every four years objections are made that March 4 is usually too inclement to make the outdoor inaugural display a complete success. It is not generally known that the fathers of the republic intended April 30 to be the day of inauguration, but the congress of the confederation in 1788 fixed upon a given Wednesday for the next inauguration, and that day being the 4th of March each succeeding candidate has gone into office on the subsequent quadrennial anniversary. The popular impression that March 4 is established by the constitution as inauguration day is erroneous, and any congress could decree a change to April 30. And as long as the public seems to desire a public show whenever a new president assumes office such a change would do away with considerable hardship and subsequent illness.

The Ideal Panacea.

James L. Francis, Alderman, Chicago, says: "I regard Dr. King's New Discovery as an Ideal Panacea for Coughs, Colds and Lung Complaints, having used it in my family for the last five years, to the exclusion of physician's prescriptions or other preparations."

Rev. John Burgess, Keokuk, Iowa, writes: "I have been a Minister of the Methodist Episcopal church for 50 years or more, and have never found anything so beneficial, or that gave me such speedy relief as Dr. King's New Discovery." Try this Ideal Cough Remedy now. At West's drug store.

Clinton Public: Corn at 12 cents a bushel, the cost of production, fed to hogs at 8 cents a pound, will average the farmer 25 cents a bushel for his corn. This computation was made by an interview with five DeWitt county farmers.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mr. A. Buser married Miss Mary Hartman in Pekin Wednesday after a personal acquaintance of only 24 hours. The marriage was arranged by correspondence.

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A new paper called the Morning Call has been started at Lincoln by W. R. Shaw. It is very small, but has plenty of room to grow.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The report of the committee to the board of supervisors of Tazewell county shows that it cost $67.22 per capita to keep the paupers of that county last year.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald:" Richard Vensel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectoration very easy and rapid. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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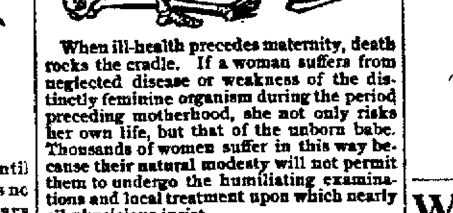
The Westerman property, known as the Villa Rosa, on Buena Vista avenue in Pekin, has been bought by J. W. Crabb of Delavan and Henry Schnellbacher of Pekin, for $13,000. It will be occupied by the latter gentleman and his family.

Gibson Courier: A cellulose mill began operations in Rockford last week. This week the farmers of Livingston, led by E. S. Fursman, meet to try to locate a mill on the T., P. & W., probably in the El Paso-Fairbury neighborhood. Our farmers could not do better for themselves than become auxiliary to such a mill, earning fair days' wages by selling to them stalks instead of raking and burning.



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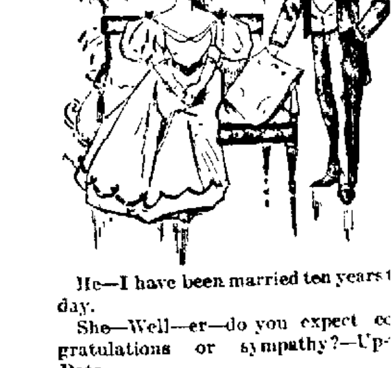

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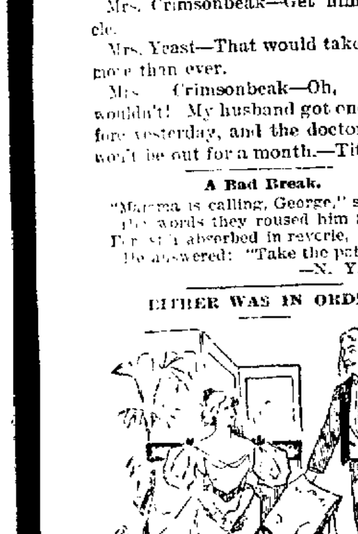

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Master in Chancery's Sale

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the Circuit Court.

Sarah Henson, Complainant, vs. Frank Tinkler et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16073.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty-Three (23), in Block Five (5) of Enterprise Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon County, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Bunn & Park, Complainant's Solicitors.

Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court.

Harry B. Owsley, complainant, vs. Lewis B. Casner et. al., defendant—In Chancery. No. 16,035.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to wit: Lot seven (7) in the assessor's resurvey of block one (1) in the original plot of the Town of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing 21.5 feet west of northeast corner of original lot five (5) in said block one (1), thence running south 144 feet, thence west 20.5 feet, thence north 144 feet, thence east 20.5 feet to the place of beginning, being part of the east half of original lots five (5) and six (6) in said block one (1) of the original town (now city) of Decatur.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Brown, Wheeler & Brown, Complainant's Solicitors.

[Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court.

Harry Williams, complainant, vs. Edward A. Jones et. al., defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,139.

Public notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said Court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: The east half of the northwest quarter of section 3, township 16, north range 2, east of the 3rd p. m., except three acres in the southwest corner thereof.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.

Feb 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } SS. In the Circuit Court.

The People's Savings and Loan Association, Complainant, vs. John F. Cooper et al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 16054.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term, 1897, of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Monday, March 22d, 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Thirteen (13) in Block One (1), of P. H. Bruecks' 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 26th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

William C. Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.

Feb. 26-dtd

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Robert G. Wells, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Robert G. Wells, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1897.

ALICE C. WELLS, Administratrix.

Feb. 20-d3w

PROPOSALS.

The undersigned, assignee of the estate of H. D. Alexander, insolvent, will receive proposals for the entire stock of goods, consisting of hardware, cutlery, stoves, tinware, tinner's tools, etc., up to March 1, 1897. The stock is clean, and if desired the building can be rented for the coming season, or can be purchased reasonable.

Macon, Ill., Jan. 11, 1897.

Jan. 20-d4w W. H. BROOKS, Assignee.

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For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

WANTED—Several upright, industrial persons in Illinois, as State agents, or managers, for responsible house. $780 and expenses. Permanent positions. Enclose reference. Address the Dominion Company, Dept. 2, Chicago. Feb 9-d6w

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—CHEAP—A fine lot of standard bred Langshan Cockerels. Address Box 217, or call at yards on East Cantrell street. J. S. COX. Feb 22-d&w1m

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

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FOR RENT—A good seven-room house, within three blocks of Lincoln Square. Barn, carriage house, well, cistern and dry cellar. Inquire at 459 South Main street. Feb 26-d6

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FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-d&wtf

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LOANS—I have money to place on farms and city property not over 40 per cent of value at 6 per cent, on 5 years time, with privilege of payments after the second year. Also loca money for nearly all classes of loans. Call or address Samuel McBride, 215 North Main street. dec17 d6mo

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MISCELLANEOUS.

TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrances; $1700 buys them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-dtf

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made, $1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuacy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30 d&wtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe: either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

SALESMEN—$5 a day. No canvassing. No deliveries, No collections. Samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3941 Market St., Philadelphia. jan 23-d4w.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

THE FINEST FLOWERS.—N. Bommersbach, proprietor of the Decatur Greenhouse, has in stock at all times the finest and largest variety of cut flowers and plants at the lowest figures. Inspect the display at the greenhouse on Spring avenue. Leave orders at office or with J. B. Bullard, Syndicate Block. Jan 4, 1897-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURE.—Decatur, Ill., Nov. 29th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Cerrodante Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, Tom Peniwell, ticket agent I. C. R. R. Jan 18-dtf

WORTH SEEING.

Inauguration of President McKinley.

The crowd at Washington will be great, the ceremonies grand. Leading men of all parties will be there. You can enjoy the sights at slight cost by buying an excursion ticket over the Vandalia-Pennsylvania Line, on sale March 1st, 2 and 3d. For particulars address Traveling Passenger Agent J. C. Millspaugh, Decatur Ill., or W. F. Brunner, A. G. P. Agent, St. Louis.

Mardi Gras at New Orleans, La.

On account of the Mardi Gras at New Orleans the P. D. & E. will make a special low rate for the round trip. Do not buy your ticket before seeing the Local Agent and investigating the route, accommodations and rates via the above line. Information will be gladly furnished by application to Agent or A. G. PALMER, Gen'l Pass. Agent, Evansville Ind.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss. In the Circuit Court.

Ida E. Armstrong, Complainant, vs. Isabella Disney et. al., Defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,012.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, March 23d, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lot Fourteen (14) in Block Three ( ), in Higgins' Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 27th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

[illegible], Complainant's Solicitors.

Feb. 27-dtd

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

GEO. P. HARDY,
Justice of the Peace,
147 South Water Street.
Apr 28-dtf

DR. LAURENS ENOS,
Homeopathist and Surgeon,
—Chronic Diseases a Specialty.—
OFFICE AND RESIDENCE, 345 N. Main st.
Jan. 13-dtf

DR. HOWARD M. WOOD
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Arcade Office Building, Decatur, Ill.
Office hours 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephones { Office, 277 Res., 216. | Residence 1446 N. Edward St

DR. L. H. CLARK,
Room 30, Arcade Office Building.
Office Hours—10 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m., 7 to 8 p. m
Telephone—Residence, 364; Office, 365.
Residence—556 West North St.

I. D. STINE,
ARCHITECT.
Paefield Building.
Telephone 570. DECATUR, ILL.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
jan 24-d&wtf

DR. A. M. DREW,
Physician and Surgeon.
OFFICE—Over Bradley Bros.' Store; Rooms 40 and 41
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Aug. 26-dtf

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

Mattie E. Peacock, Complainant, vs. Margetta Sparks et al., Defendants—In Chancery; No. 15758.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the January Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, March 20th; 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing 50 feet west of the southeast corner of Lot 10 in Block 2 of S. K. Thompson's 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, thence north 150 feet parallel with the east line of said lot, thence west 30 feet, thence south 150 feet, thence east 30 feet to the place of beginning, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of February, 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.

Feb. 26-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court.

The Loan and Homestead Association, complainant, vs. Bartlett Clark et al., defendants; In Chancery—No. 15728.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term of said court, A. D. 1896, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will, on

Saturday, March 13, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the city of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots Five (5) and Eight (8) in Block One (1) in LaForgee & Patterson's Addition to the City of Decatur in Macon county, Illinois.

Terms of Sale:—$250 cash in hand on day of sale, and the balance in twelve months, deferred payment to be secured by approved personal security and a mortgage on the premises sold, and to bear interest at 6 per cent. from day of sale or the purchaser may pay all cash if he so desires.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 12th day of February, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.

Shelley Bros., solicitors for complainant.

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Decatur Plumbing and Heating Company will be held at their office on Monday, March 1, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

W. H. ELWOOD, President.

O. W. DAWSON, Secretary.

Feb. 5-dtd

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Sunday excursion rates to all points on the P., D. & E. One fare round trip. Tickets good returning on day of sale.

Winter tourist rates now on to points south, southwest and southeast.

One way settler rates to points south every first and third Tuesday of each month. Very low.

Good connections at Peoria for Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado points; at Mattoon with Big Four for Cincinnati, Cleveland Columbus and eastern points; at Evansville for all Southern and Florida points.

City ticket office removed from 119 Library Block to 121 East William street, directly across the street. New 'phone No. 28; Old, No. 420; Union Depot 'phone old, 47, New.

Call on, or address W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Peniwell, 121 East William street.

R. R. TIME TABLES.

In effect Feb. 7, 1897.

Wabash Line.

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:06 a m	13	* 3:30 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3:55 p m
16	† 7:40 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		**FROM ST. LOUIS.**	
3	* 3 40 a m	6	*5:25 a m
11	* 6:55 a m	4	*11:35 a m
5	† 4:05 p m	14	*11:42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	* 8.58 p m
1	*12:13 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:30 p m	12	*12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.		**FROM TOLEDO.**	
6	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:10 a m
4	*11 30 a m	7	* 7:17 p m
2	*11 30 p m	5	† 3:50 p m
10 Laf. acm.	† 4:40 p m	3	* 3:20 a m
		11	†10:30 a m
TO QUINCY.		**FROM QUINCY.**	
5	* 4:05 p m	4	*11.30 a m
3	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg	† 7:35 a m
11 Spfd acm	†10:34 a m	10 Effm acm.	† 4:36 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily........1:32 a m	Diamond Special, daily..........3:55 a m
No. 104, daily, 11:25 a m	No. 1?5 pass. ex. Sunday..... 9:30 a m
No. 194 freight ex. Sunday......2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday.....10:10 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday......6:11 p m	No. 123, daily, 3:32 p m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday......2:25 p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday......10:15 a m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n, daily 6.00 a m	No. 703—From Chicago, daily 9:05 p m
No. 1?6 daily to Chicago......11:59 a m	No. 1?2 daily, to St. Louis..... 2:58 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1......10:42 a. m.	A No. 2 ....2:41 p. m
D No. 3......10:10 p. m.	A No. 4........3:50 a. m
A No. 31......4:50 p. m.	A No. 30.......6:15 a. m.
	S No. 36.......7:10 a. m.

Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2........2:47 p. m.	A No. 1........10:50 a. m.
A No. 4........4:10 a. m.	D No. 3........10:20 p. m.
A No. 30.......6:35 a. m.	A No. 31........5:00 p. m.
S No. 36........7:30 a. m.	A No 11........3:15 p. m.
A No. 10......10:42 a. m.	
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 3 Pass....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass...*11:25 a m
" 1 Pass....*[illegible] p m	" 4 Pass...*10:20 p m
" 7 Acc....†10:00 a m	" 8 Accom..†4:00 a m

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Run ends here

Vandalia Line.

In effect Jan. 17, 1897.

Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.

FOR THE WEST.

No. 7, Ex., Sun. 11:42 a. m............For Peoria

No. 5, Ex., Sun. 7:00 a. m. ....For Peoria

FOR THE EAST.

No. 20, Ex., Sun. 8:50 a. m......For Terre Haute

No. 6, Ex. Sun 3.25 p. m...... For Terre Haute

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CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Lewis F. Hall vs. Jane Willey Hall—Divorce.

It appearing by affidavit filed in my office that the above named defendant is a non-resident of the state of Illinois, notice, is hereby given to you that the above named complainant has filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, which said suit is still pending, and that summons thereon issued out of said court against you the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next June term thereof, to be held at the court house in the City of Decatur, on the first Monday of June, 1897.

Now unless you the said Jane Willey Hall, shall be and appear on the first day of said term of said court to plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as confessed against you and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated at Decatur this 22d day of February, A. D. 1897. [Seal] D. L. FOSTER, Clerk.

Feb 22-d4w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the circuit court of Piatt county, Illinois, in favor of Thomas L. McDaniel and against Charles H Bridges, Wm. Marshall Bridges and Frank Walz, partners doing business under the firm name and style of Bridges, Walz & Co., I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Sixty-five (65) feet in width off of the south side of Lot Three (3) of B. L. Howenstine's addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois. Taken as the property of the said Charles H. Bridges, which I shall offer at public sale at north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county in said state, on the 18th day of March, A. D., 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 25th day of February, A. D. 1897.

J. F. NICHOLSON, Sheriff Macon Co., Ill.

Feb 25-dtd

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Ferby Holman, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Ferby Holman, late of the County of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1897.

DAVID T. HOLMAN, Administrator.

Feb 10-d3w

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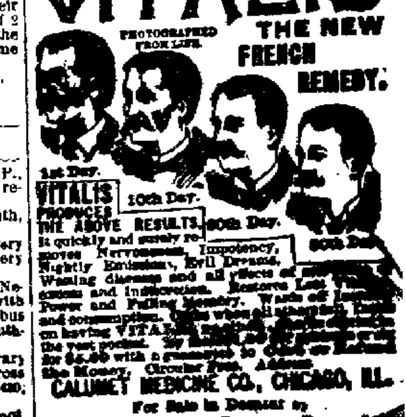

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Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Watch Riley & Mann's bulletin board.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at West's drug store.—19-dtf

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Headache cured in fifteen minutes with Irwin's harmless headache powders.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

Take the Vandalia-Pennsylvania for Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for the inauguration.

Largest and finest stock of face powders in Decatur at West's drug store, all at cut prices.—19-dtf

Decatur Steam Bakery bread and McKinney's St. Louis bread at the Economy.—17-dtf

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths, lowest price ever made; 50c a pound. Wests' drug store.—19-dtf

Only Two Hours and Fifty Minutes to Peoria. Take the Vandalia Line. Train leaves at 11:42 a. m.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 233 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

Harry Snarr
has secured the agency of
Allegretti & Co.'s
Chocolate Cream.
24-d6

Col. H. V. Heskett of Sullivan, met with another accident a few days ago, and broke an arm. Mr. Heskett is one of the uniuckiest men in central Illinois in the way of accidents.

A good two-seated surrey (nearly new), a buggy and cart, also two yearling Jersey heifers, will be sold at the closing out sale of the Montgomery stock farm, and 18 head of horses, on Monday, March 1, 1897. w1-d3t

Song Sermon at the Tabernacle.

At 7:30 sharp tomorrow evening Prof. Calvin will direct a song sermon at the tabernacle. This is a new thing in Decatur church circles, and it promises to draw an immense audience. The professor says that when his pastor is away he always arranges a service like this for the first Sunday evening after his return. Rev. Hall will preach in the morning but give the entire evening to the choir. The program will consist of anthems, psalms, hymns and spiritual songs also responsive readings and special vocal selections. Among the numbers to be given are "Gloria," from Mozart's Twelfth mass; "Mighty Jehovah," by Bellini; "Great and Marvelous," from Farmers' celebrated mass in B flat; "Lead Me to the Rock," by Scott. The professor and his wife will sing. At the morning service the choir will render "Zion Awake," a grand canon in four parts from Sir Michael Costa. Everybody welcome. Seats free to all who come in time.

Why Your Taxes are High.

The office of the tax collector will be open every day until 9 p. m., so that all may have an opportunity to pay their taxes and save the cost which will be attached after the books are turned over to the treasurer. Come early and avoid the rush. J. S. Carter, collector.

Seed Distribution.

New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&tf

To Stop a Cold in 30 Minutes.

Take Contra-Cold Tablets, guaranteed or money refunded by all druggists, 20c.

BASKET BALL GAME.

Given Yesterday by the Young Ladies at the Guards' Armory and was Largely Attended.

The basket ball game given at the Guards' Armory yesterday afternoon by the young ladies of the Decatur basket ball club, was largely attended. It was the first time the members have played in public. They displayed much skill as players and showed that they had practiced hard. Two teams were picked from the club members and played against each other. The game was a draw, each side making two goals and scoring four. The players were as follows: Blacks—Misses Myrtle Wheeler, Madge Hays, Jane Roby, Neta Bullard, Bertha Roach, Kate Harwood and Beatrice Howard.

Whites—Misses Leon Moore, Jessie Montgomery, Nettie Merriweather, Cordelia Williams, Anna Roby and Floy Gasaway.

The game was quite exciting at times and was greatly enjoyed by the spectators. An admission of ten cents was charged and over $30 was taken in at the door.

The game was called at 3:30 o'clock and for twenty minutes until the end of the first half no scoring was done by either side. In the second half some splendid plays were made. The first goal was made by Miss Beatrice Howard of the Blacks. The play was loudly applauded by the audience and stimulated the young ladies to harder playing. Miss Myrtle Wheeler made another goal for the Blacks. Miss Leon made a goal for the Whites and a second one just before time was called so that the score was tied—4 to 4.

A. L. Clark acted as both umpire and referee and Miss Gertrude Tyler as time keeper and scorer. The game was very successful from every point of view and when the young ladies again play in public there will undoubtedly be a large number of people go to see them. The young ladies have been practicing for a long time and have developed into good players. The receipts of yesterday's game amounted to about $36 and the money will be used to defray expenses which were created by the practice games held. The members had hall rent and some other incidental expenses to pay.

LENT TO BEGIN

Ash Wednesday—Observance of the Season of Prayer and Fasting.

The lenten season, a season of fasting and prayer to continue for forty days, will begin on March 3, Ash Wednesday. The day will be celebrated in all the Catholic and Episcopal churches of the city. At the celebration of the mass in the Catholic church, the priest marks the sign of the cross with ashes on the foreheads of the people, repeating in Latin, the words, "Remember, man, that thou are dust, and unto dust thou shalt return."

Bishop Ryan of Alton, has sent out the following instructions to all priests of the diocese concerning the observance of Lent:

First—All the days of Lent, except the Sundays, are fasting days of obligation.

Second—A cup of coffee, tea or chocolate, with a cracker or thin piece of bread may be taken in the morning and a collation in the evening.

Third—Custom allows the use of milk, butter, cheese, eggs and fish at the evening collation.

Fourth—Flesh may be used at every meal on Sunday, at the principal meal on all other days, except Wednesdays and Fridays, and the second and last Saturdays of Lent.

Fifth—Fish and flesh are not allowed at the same meal, but lard, butter and other animal fat may be used in preparing food.

Sixth—Those who are under 21 years of age or over 60, or whose strength is impaired by debility, sickness of hard labor, are exempt from fasting, and may use meat at all meals on days on which it is allowed. Where there is doubt the confessor should be consulted.

A "Poster" Entertainment.

Next Thursday afternoon the members of the art and literature division of the Woman's club will give their first entertainment for the club membership at the Woman's club. It will be a poster entertainment and that idea will be carried out faithfully by ten or more young ladies who will appear as poster girls. Miss Beulah Mitchell of Chicago, will give an address on the poster art. The president of the division is Mrs. John E. King; Miss Drennan, leader; Miss Josephine Laux, secretary and treasurer.

Death of the Mother of of Mr. Evans.

Superintendent Gastman is in receipt of a note from Thomas L. Evans, principal of the Jackson street school, dated Peoria, Ohio, Feb. 26, stating that the mother of Mr. Evans died at that place on Feb. 25. The funeral will be held Sunday and Mr. Evans will return Tuesday morning. The Jackson street school will be closed on Monday as a mark of respect.

A Very Sick Man.

Thomas C. Stoner, jr., was taken suddenly ill Thursday with appendicitis on his farm near Mt. Zion, and was taken to the home of his uncle, Ben Smith, at the town where he is under treatment. He is a very sick man and may not recover.

Brief Session of Court.

Judge Vail held a brief session the circuit court this forenoon, passing on a few motions and taking a recess until 4:30 p. m., to give an attorney a chance in a divorce case.

LOST TWO RINGS.

Lizzie Melrose of the "Baggage Check" Co. in Hard Luck.

CAME BACK TO SEE THE POLICE.

Failed to Find Her Lost Jewelry Alleged to be Worth $150—Police Police Unable to Solve the Mystery.

The Blaney company appeared at the Grand Thursday night in the farce, "A Baggage Check." Among the principals was Miss Lizzie Melrose, who sports a lot of diamonds—the real stuff, not stage jewelry. While in the city she was a guest at the Arcade hotel, and she had jewelry with her. The collection included two handsome diamond rings, both alleged to be worth $150. It appears that on Friday morning the company left for Lincoln where they gave the comedy last night. On the train Miss Melrose discovered that she had lost the two rings. The last she remembered as to the location of the rings was when she left them lying on the dresser in her room at the Arcade hotel. Miss Melrose caught the next train back to Decatur, accompanied by W. C. Butterworth a member of the company. They failed to find the missing rings at the hotel. Nobody there had heard of them and none had seen them. The supposition of Miss Melrose is that somebody entered her room during her temporary absence—it might have been a guest at the house—and had stolen the rings. Miss Melrose and Mr. Butterworth had a conference with Marshal Mason and Manager Given of the opera house, but there was no satisfactory solution of the affair. Miss Melrose knows that the rings are gone, and she believes that they were stolen. The police will be watchful. They have a description of the two diamond rings. If they are pawned or sold here or elsewhere the party making the deal will be promptly arrested. Miss Melrose returned to Lincoln last evening in time for the performance.

Personals.

—F. E. Bunn is in Clinton.

—Miss Bessie Webb is in Springfield visiting friends.

—T. T. Roberts went to Springfield yesterday on business.

—C. L. Griswold has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

—Senator Ranan returned to the city last night from Springfield.

—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. James Dayton, on Saturday, Feb. 27, a son.

—C. W. Wyloff went to Marcoa this morning to visit his father.

—Mrs. H. A Wallace and Miss Lillian Stevens will leave tonight for New York City.

—Miss Louise Gastman, who attends the University of Champaign, is home on a vacation.

—Mrs. A. V. Oliver of Wichita, Kan., is in the city visiting Charles G. Martin and family.

—S. D. Smith of Mt. Zion, was in the city today as was also Charles Hastings of Warrensburg.

—J. W. McClellan, state bank examiner, will start out on another trip next Monday evening.

—Born—To County Treasurer and Mrs. Charles H. Patterson, on Friday, Feb. 26, 1897, a son, 13 pounds.

—Herbert R. Eldridge, who has been in the city visiting his mother, has returned to his home in Gainesville, Texas.

—Miss Eugenia Harris has gone to Jacksonville where she will be the guest of Miss Marguerite Black.

—Misses Jennie and Anna Barber of Taylorville, are in the city visiting Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Childs.

—Mrs. George Campbell of Terre Haute, who has been in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taggart, returned to her home this afternoon.

—F. M. Cox, who has been at Dayton, Ohio, during the past two years as manager of a corn planter company, has returned to the city. He has severed his engagement at Dayton. Mr. Cox will make his home in Decatur.

ENDEAVOR NEWS.

The special committee appointed to arrange for the county union social will meet Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the First M. E. church.

The Presbyterian society will take their friends to Washington, D. C., to the inauguration of President McKinley. Their train will leave Tuesday evening, March 2, at 8 o'clock.

The Congregational society are planning for a book social to replenish their missionary library.

The Baptist society will celebrate their tenth anniversary Monday evening, March 8. Miss Mary Wood will give the history of their society and letters will be read from absent members and also from Dr. George Vosburgh, who was then pastor at time of the organization of this society. J. L. Deck, their president will speak of the future of the Baptist society. The Sunday school orchestra will be present and furnish music. Dr. Rodgers of Springfield, who recently addressed the Presbyterian society of this city, will be with them and deliver an address. Everyone is invited to attend this service.

The First M. E. society will celebrate their tenth anniversary March 1.

The Christian Endeavor society of Sharon have elected the following officers for the ensuing six months: President, A. A. Jones, vice president, James H. Constant, secretary, Elsie Lutz, assistant secretary, Willie Leedy, librarian Nora Troutman, organist, Ada Scott, chorister, Dessie Sawyer.

The Y. M. C. A. reception to the Christian Endeavor societies, last Tuesday evening, proved to be one of the most successful ever undertaken. The association each year gives a reception to the young people's societies, but this occasion seemed to surpass all others, the rooms were thronged all evening and all enjoyed the program rendered at 8 o'clock. Refreshments were served by the ladies' central committee.

The Macon society gave a pound social last Tuesday night, which was well attended and a large supply of eatables and clothing were received. They gave a regular program. The songs were numerous and well rendered. After the meeting they enjoyed themselves by talking and playing light games. The provisions and clothing received will be distributed among the poor of their city.

The Baptist Intermediate society will hold their monthly consecrative meeting tomorrow evening at 6:30.

The Sharon society gave a social at the home of Mr. Wm. Sawyer last Thursday evening. Oysters and ice cream were served. A large crowd were present and a neat sum realized.

The executive committee of the county union met last Sunday afternoon in the First M. E. church. The president appointed the nominating committee to select officers to be elected at the county convention, March 26. Mr. A. M. Taylor is chairman of this committee.

James S. Carter for Collector.

Elsewhere today in these columns appears the announcement of James S. Carter as a candidate for township collector subject to the Republican township convention.

James S. Carter is well known by the tax payers of the county. He is the present collector by appointment, was once elected to the office and has assisted several collectors in collecting the taxes for the township. His qualifications are of the first class, being methodical and accurate, returning his book in perfect shape, leaving nothing in doubtful form. He is a Republican and solicits a good support from his friends at the primaries. His wide acquaintance makes him a strong candidate and if nominated he will be elected.

George P. Hardy for Justice.

It is formally announced today that George P. Hardy is a candidate for justice of the peace, subject to the action of the Republican convention. Mr. Hardy, who is well informed as to law points in general, and is a very careful official in the discharge of his duties, has proven himself to be one of the best justices of the peace Decatur has ever had. He has always been fair and impartial in his decisions, and has the confidence of all who have had business in his court. George asks that his friends remember him favorably at the primaries to the end that he will secure the nomination, which will be equivalent to election.

Fred Miller for Constable.

In this issue appears the announcement of Fred E. Miller as a candidate for constable, subject to the decision of the Republican township convention. Fred has proven himself a good constable, and has been active and prompt in the performance of his duties. Being a German he can serve papers when required in either English or German. The recommendation of the justices is strongly favorable to Mr. Miller. They know him to be a good official, and so do the business men. He asks for renomination and will doubtless have his wishes gratified.

Home from the West.

Rev. George F. Hall, pastor of the Christian tabernacle arrived home this morning from the west where he has been on a lecturing tour. He has been gone five weeks and has delivered lectures in eleven different states. Mr. Hall will occupy the pulpit of his church tomorrow morning and in the evening a song service will be held by the choir.

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